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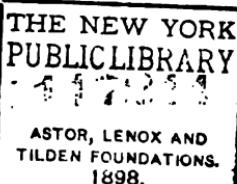
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 PORTSMOUTH, All Saints'.
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 TOLEDO, Trinity.
 TROY, Trinity.
 UNIONVILLE, St. Michael's.
 URBANA, Epiphany.
 WAKEMAN, St. John's.
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TOTAL—87.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO, SEPTEMBER, 1854.

The Right Reverend **CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE, D.D., D.C.L.**,
Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Cincinnati.

The Rev. NORMAN BADGER, Principal of a Select School at Gambier,
and Missionary.

- " " **EDWARD C. BENSON,*** Deacon, assistant teacher in Harcourt Place Academy, Gambier.
- " " **HENRY BLACKALLER**, Rector of Grace Church, Mansfield.
- " " **ALFRED BLAKE, B.D.**, Principal of Harcourt Place Academy, Gambier, and Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Perry.
- " " **JAMES A. BOLLES, D.D.**, Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.
- " " **JOHN BOYD**, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.
- " " **JOHNSON A. BRAYTON,*** Principal of a Select Classical School in Painesville.
- " " **JAMES B. BRITTON**, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.
- " " **SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, D.D.**, Rector of Grace Church, Sandusky.
- " " **JOHN L. BRYAN**, residing at Granville.
- " " **ERASTUS BURR, D.D.**, Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.
- " " **LEWIS BURTON**, Rector of St. John's Church, Cleveland.
- " " **CLEMENT M. BUTLER, D.D.,*** Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.
- " " **LAWSON CARTER**, Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland.

The Rev. T. W. CLAPP,* Deacon, residing at Fremont.

- " " JOHN W. CLARK, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.
- " " R. BETHELL CLAXTON, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.
- " " THOMAS CORLETT, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville, and Missionary.
- " " E. H. CUMMING, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.
- " " GEORGE S. DAVIS.*
- " " THOMAS B. DOOLEY.*
- " " COLUMBUS S. DOOLITTELL, Rector of St. James' Church, Boardman, and St. Stephen's Church, Canfield, and Missionary. P. O., Canfield.
- " " GEORGE WASHINGTON DU BOIS, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.
- " " ABRAHAM EDWARDS, Rector of St. David's Church, Centerville, Gallia county.
- " " THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson.
- " " CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua.
- " " LYMAN N. FREEMAN, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.
- " " WILLIAM C. FRENCH, Rector of St. John's Church, Worthington, and Secretary of the Convention. P. O., Columbus.
- " " FRANCIS GRANGER, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Elyria, and Missionary.
- " " WILLIAM GRANVILLE,* residing at Medina.
- " " RICHARD GRAY, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Cincinnati, and City Missionary.
- " " JOHN HALL,* officiating at St. Peter's Church, Rome.
- " " H. T. HEISTER, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Fremont.
- " " HUMPHREY HOLLIS, Rector of St. James' Church, Cross Creek, and St. John's Church, East Springfield, Jefferson county, and Missionary. P. O., Steubenville.

The Rev. LEVI L. HOLDEN, Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

" " CHARLES F. LEWIS,* Principal of a Female Seminary in Springfield.

" " EDWARD MAGEE,* City Missionary in connection with St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

" " SAMUEL MARKS, Rector of Christ Church, Huron, and Missionary.

" " JAMES McELROY, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

" " ALBERT T. McMURPHEY, Rector of Zion Church, Dresden, and St. Matthew's Church, Madison.

" " D. C. MAYBIN, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Akron.

" " INTREPID MORSE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

" " JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon.

" " RODNEY S. NASH, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Circleville.

" " RODOLPHUS K. NASH, Rector of St. James' Church, Wooster, and Missionary.

" " F. B. NASH, Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.

" " PETER NEFF, Jr.,* Deacon, Minister of Christ Church, Yellow Springs, and Christ Church, Xenia. P. O., Yellow Springs.

" " WILLIAM R. NICHOLSON, Rector of St. John's Church, Cincinnati.

" " HENRY PAYNE,* Agent of the American Sunday School Union, Mount Vernon.

" " G. B. PERRY, D.D., L.L.D., Associate Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland.

" " ALANSON PHELPS, Rector of St. James' Church, Painesville.

- The Rev. N. C. PRIDHAM, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany,
Urbana, and Missionary.
- " " W. B. RALLY, Missionary to the Germans, Cincinnati.
- " " DANIEL RISER, Rector of St. John's Church, Lancaster,
and Missionary.
- " " CHANDLER ROBBINS, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield.
- " " JOSEPH E. RYAN, Rector of Grace Church, Berkshire, and
Missionary.
- " " ALVAH SANFORD,* residing at Granville.
- " " NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, Rector of St. Mary's Church,
Hillsborough.
- " " THOMAS M. SMITH, D.D., Milnor Professor of Divinity, in
the Theological Seminary of Ohio.
- " " E. A. STRONG, Agent of the Missionary and Education Com-
mittee of the Diocese.
- " " GEORGE B. STURGES, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Marion,
and Missionary.
- " " SPENCER WALL,* officiating near Sandusky.
- " " HENRY B. WALLBRIDGE, Rector of Trinity Church, Toledo.
- " " GEORGE W. WATSON,* Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.
- " " HOMER WHEELER, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.
- " " A. WHEELER,* residing at Grafton.
- " " M. T. C. WING, D.D., Professor of Ecclesiastical History
in the Theological Seminary at Gambier.
- " " EDWARD WINTHROP,* Principal of a Ladies' Academy, Nor-
walk.

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*Those marked with an asterisk are not entitled to seats in this Convention.
See Article IV of the Constitution.

RULES OF ORDER.

I.
The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.

II.
When the President takes the chair no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up except to address the Chair

III.
After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.

IV.
No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

V.
At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present - if not, some other person appointed by the Chair, shall call the names of the clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the parishes entitled to representation; and the Lay Delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

VI.
The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint - 1st, *A Committee of Examination*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of membership and certificates of Lay Delegates, and incorporation of Churches, and their admission into union with the Convention. 2d, *A Committee on Unfinished Business*, to consist of one clergyman and one layman. After the Committee of Examinations has reported the names of the Lay Delegates entitled to seats in the Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees: 1st, *A Committee of Finance*, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen; to whom shall be referred the Treasurer's report and assessment of the parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. 2d, *A Committee on Missions*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred the report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3d, *A Committee on Canons*, to consist of two clergymen, and two laymen, to whom new Canons and all alterations and amendments of existing Canons shall be referred.

VII.
When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VIII.
No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

IX.
While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

X.
Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

XI.
A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

XII.
No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

XIII.
When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XIV.
All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

XV.
When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

XVI.
Clergymen belonging to the Diocese but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and candidates for holy orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention, and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

XVII.
The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, unless altered or rescinded, and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

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GRACE CHURCH, SANDUSKY, }
September 27, A. D., 1854. }

THIS being the time and place appointed for holding the Thirty-Seventh Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled with the Bishop, as above, at 7 o'clock, p. m.

After prayers by the Bishop, the Convention proceeded to organize.

The first business in order being the election of a Secretary, the vote by ballot was unanimously dispensed with; and, on motion of the Rev. Dr. BURR, of Portsmouth, the Rev. WILLIAM C. FRENCH, the former Secretary, was reelected.

The Secretary being furnished by the Bishop with a list of the Clergy entitled to seats in this Convention, under Article IV. of the Constitution, called their names, when the following were found to be present:

Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT M'ILVAINE, D.D., D.C.L.

Rev. Messrs. Badger,	Doolittle,	F. B. Nash,
Bolles, D.D.	Freeman,	Nicholson,
Boyd,	French,	Perry, D.D., L.L.D.
Bronson, D.D.	Gray,	Phelps,
Bryan,	Heister,	Pridham,
Burr, D.D.	Holden,	Risser,
Burton,	Marks,	Schenck,
Claxton, D.D.	Maybin,	Strong, and
Corlett,	R. K. Nash,	Wing, D.D.

On motion,

Resolved, That when this Convention takes a recess, it be till after divine service this evening.

The Secretary proceeded to call the roll of Parishes in union with this Convention, when the certificates of their Lay Delegates were laid on his table, and the Chair appointed the following

Committee of Examination.—Rev. Dr. Burr, Rev. Mr. Nicholson, and Judge Thrall,

—to whom the above-named credentials, and all papers relating to the incorporation and admission of churches, were referred.

The Convention reconsidered the motion to adjourn till after evening service, and adjourned to meet after service to-morrow morning.

SANDUSKY, SEPT. 28, 1854,
10 o'clock, a. m.

Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Charles Reynolds, Rector of Christ Church, North Brooklyn, in the Diocese of New York; and the Convention Sermon was preached by Rev. R. Bethell Claxton, D.D., of St. Paul's Church, Cleveland, from Acts ix. 31: “*Then had the churches rest throughout Judea and Galilee and Samaria, and walking in the fear of the Lord, and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost, were multiplied.*”

After Divine Service, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop. The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The Secretary called the roll of Clergy, when the fol-

lowing, in addition to those present last evening, answered and took their seats:

Rev. Measrs. Blackaller,	DuBois,	Muenscher, D.D.
Blake,	Fairchild,	Sturges, and
Carter,	Granger,	H. Wheeler.
Camming,	McElroy,	

The Rev. Dr. Burr, from the Committee of Examination, reported the following persons entitled to seats as representatives of their respective parishes: from

- St. Paul's, Akron*—Joseph Beebee, Philo Bennett, L. M. Latimer.
St. Peter's, Ashtabula—Amos C. Hubbard, Elihu C. Strong, Ben. P. Ensign.
Grace, Berkshire—D. L. Sherman, J. P. Crawford, J. W. Seymour.
St. Stephen's, Canfield—S. C. Lockwood, Curtis Beardsley, James Wallace.
St. Paul's, Chillicothe—John Woodbridge, E. P. Kendrick, W. H. Safford.
Christ, Cincinnati—B. Storer, Jas. Hall, W. K. Bond.
St. John's, Cincinnati—William Wood, J. H. C. Bonte, E. A. Thompson.
St. Paul's, Cincinnati—William H. Johnson.
St. Philip's, Circleville—J. G. Doddridge, H. K. Lawrence, John Walk.
Grace, Cleveland—E. W. Palmer, Chas. J. Woolson, Wm. W. Van Ness.
St. John's, Cleveland—David Griffith, Geo. L. Chapman, Wm. B. Castle.
St. Paul's, Cleveland—Elisha T. Sterling, Henry White, Arthur Quinn.
Trinity, Cleveland—Ansel Roberts, Patrick Anderson, Alex. Garrett.
Trinity, Columbus—William B. Thrall, John W. Andrews, R. I. Chittenden.
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls—John Handford, Wm. L. Handford, Thos. J. Holmes.
Christ, Dayton—Warren Munger, Isaac H. Riereted, Geo. W. Shoup.
St. Peter's, Delaware—Geo. W. Campbell, C. Howard, C. C. Chamberlain.
St. Paul's, Fremont—Chas. Trowbridge, Dan'l Capper.
Harcourt, Gambier—Wm. J. Scott, Lorin Andrews.
St. Luke's, Granville—Levi Rose, John L. Huggins, S. N. Sanford.
Christ, Huron—John W. Hickham, Sam'l P. McDonald, L. B. Johnson.
St. James, Kingston—Elias Benton, Baxter Maxwell.
Trinity, Lyme—John Clarke, Joseph Wood, Stephen Sawyer.
Grace, Mansfield—Z. S. Stocking, U. Stevens, E. N. Deitrich.
St. Timothy's, Massillon—Charles K. Skinner, Kent Jarvis, W. A. Reed.
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon—C. P. Buckingham, R. C. Hurd, E. Alling.
St. Paul's, Norwalk—Platt Benedict, Shepherd Patrick, C. E. Newman.
St. James', Painesville—David D. Aiken, Alex. Thompson, John C. Martin.
All Saints', Portsmouth—Peter Kinney, John Radcliffe, James Lodwick.
Groce, Sandusky—Ebenezer Lane, Rice Harper, A. H. Moss.
Christ, Springfield—William Coles, James A. Bean, James Dory.
St. Philip's, Strongsville—M. E. Stone, George Johnson, E. N. Clarke.
Trinity, Troy—Asa Coleman, George Keifer, Tho. S. Barret.
Epiphany, Urbana—W. F. Slater, James Moore, W. F. Mosgrove.
St. James', Zanesville—Gordius A. Hall, Wm. J. Townsend, Moses M. Granger

Whereupon, the Secretary called the roll, and the fol-

lowing answered to their names, and took their seats as members of the Convention: Messrs.

L. M. Latimer,	J. W. Andrews,	C. E. Newman,
E. H. Strong,	R. L. Chittenden,	D. Griffith,
B. P. Ensign,	W. L. Handford,	G. L. Chapman,
J. Hall,	G. W. Shoupe,	D. D. Aiken,
W. K. Bond,	G. W. Campbell,	A. Thompson,
W. Wood,	C. Trowbridge,	J. C. Martin,
J. H. C. Bonta,	W. J. Scott,	R. Harper,
W. H. Johnson,	S. N. Sanford,	A. H. Moss,
E. W. Palmer,	S. P. M'Donald,	J. Dory,
E. T. Sterling,	J. Clarke,	G. Johnson,
A. Roberts,	J. Wood,	E. N. Clarke,
P. Anderson,	E. Alling,	A. Coleman,
A. Garrett,	S. Patrick,	G. A. Hall.
W. B. Thrall,		

The Secretary, with the approval of the Convention, appointed Judge THRALL, of Trinity Parish, Columbus, Assistant Secretary.

The President then announced the appointment of the following Standing Committees, viz:

Committee on Unfinished Business—Rev. Mr. Blackaller and Mr. E. Alling.

Committee on Finance—Rev. Mr. M'Elroy, and Messrs. James Hall and John W. Andrews.

Committee on Missions—Rev. Mr. Fairchild, Rev. Mr. Nicholson, and Mr. Patrick.

Committee on Canons—Rev. Dr. Muenscher, Rev. Dr. Claxton, and Col. W. K. Bond.

The Committee on Credentials, through Dr. Burr, reported that they had examined the papers relating to the formation of the following Parishes, and finding the same to be correct, recommended that said Parishes be received into union with this Convention; which was unanimously agreed to, viz:

The Parish of Christ Church, Yellow Springs;

The Parish of Christ Church, Xenia;

The Parish of St. Mary's Church, Hillsborough.

• The same Committee also reported the names of the following delegates from said Parishes, viz:

Christ Church, Yellow Springs—Samuel Houghton, James Goldrick.

Christ Church, Xenia—Francis Harris.

St. Mary's, Hillsborough—Isaac Sams, J. Milton Boyd, S. P. Shrope.

Whose names being called by the Secretary, Mr. J. M. Boyd answered and took his seat.

Rev. Mr. Cumming offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Constitution be amended so that the time of holding the Annual Convention of this Diocese be changed from fall to spring.

Which was referred to the Standing Committee on Canons.

Rev. Dr. Claxton offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That Article IV. of the Constitution be amended by omitting the words in the 5th and 6th lines, included between the words “learning and ministry,” and inserting after “required,”

“Provided, also, that no Clergyman who has been a member of this Convention shall lose his seat therein, by reason of age or of bodily infirmities disqualifying him for his previous position.”

Which was referred to the Standing Committee on Canons.

Rev. Dr. Claxton offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That at an early stage of the business of each Convention, five Clergymen and five Laymen shall be appointed, who shall constitute the committee on the state of the Church; that to this Committee shall be referred the Parochial Reports, the minutes of the Standing Committee, the Report of the Diocesan Missionary and Education Committee, and the address of the Bishop, or so much thereof as shall not be specially referred; and that the Report of this Committee shall be the order of the day, at 9 a. m., on the third day of the session of the Convention.

Which was referred to the Standing Committee on Canons.

Rev. Dr. Burr offered for adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Canons to review,

in connection with the Bishop, the list of Clergy belonging to this Diocese, and report to this Convention the names of such as they may find entitled to seats in the same.

Which was referred to the Standing Committee on Canons.

The Convention then took a recess until 2½ o'clock, p. m.

2½ o'clock, p. m.

The Convention assembled, and after the usual devotional exercises, the roll of the Clergy was called by the Secretary, and those present answered to their names. The roll of Lay Delegates being called, the following, in addition to those present in the morning, answered and took their seats :

Messrs. D. Capper,
L. B. Johnson,
P. Benedict.

W. Coles,
M. M. Granger,

The Bishop then proceeded to read his Annual Address.

Bishop's Annual Address.

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO :

I rejoice in the opportunity of again meeting you in our Annual Convention. Such occasions of the assembling of christian brethren, to take counsel together concerning the interests of our Saviour's kingdom, in which our hearts should be so earnestly engaged, and to which our lives are pledged, should be esteemed great privileges, and each of us should contribute all that a christian spirit has, to make them spiritually profitable. How precious is the promise of our Lord : " Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I, in the midst of them." For what purpose is He in the midst of them, but to bless them; to guide them in their common work ; to sanctify and strengthen

them, each in his own soul? If we have not come in his name, we have not come in his spirit. If we have come in his name, for his name, unto his name, seeking his glory, desiring to do good for his kingdom, and to get good for our souls, from his presence, then let us take the comfort of a sure faith that, in the midst of us, is the special, gracious presence of our blessed Lord, the Head of his Church; let all within us be reverent before Him; let us wait upon our duties here as seeing Him who is invisible; in all things may we manifest the spirit that becometh such a presence, and the disciples of such a Master.

There is a remembrance associated with the Church in which we are assembled, that warns us that "in the midst of life we are in death." It is not a year since I held an ordination here, and admitted to the order of Presbyters the Rev. Mark Richard Jukes. He is now "absent from the body," and we doubt not "present with the Lord." That fearful disease which has been walking in darkness through the land for a long time, smiting here and there with death, entered his little parish. He was faithful to his duties in the midst of it. When he needed rest, he was visiting the sick and burying the dead, and earnestly preaching to the living. He considered not himself. The disease took hold on him and he died. In two days more, his faithful wife was dead, and their children were orphans. He had been so short a time among us, that there are probably many of his brethren in the ministry of this Diocese who did not know him, except as having met him once in Convention. But he was worth knowing intimately; for the mind of Christ was his, and the anointing of the Spirit was upon him. We have lost a most earnest, spiritually-minded, self-denying brother, and his parish has lost a most faithful pastor. Such bereavements are great afflictions in this the time of our need, when we have to lament the fewness of the laborers for the great work assigned to the ministry of the Gospel. Louder and louder comes the voice, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" and how few there are to answer, "Here am I, send me."

It is a consolation, in view of the Providence which took away both parents, almost at the same time, from a large family of children, that

Mr. Jukes was a contributor to our Diocesan Society for the relief of the Widows and Children of deceased Clergymen, so that his children are entitled to an annuity therefrom. And this leads me to urge upon the clergy and laity a more united and systematic support of that Society. The great importance of making provision for the widows and children of deceased clergymen, by some such scheme as that of our institution, engaged the serious attention of the General Convention at its session last October; and measures were then taken to provide an institution for that purpose, coëxstensive with our whole Church. I have no idea that any plan will be devised which will be as good for us as our own Society. But it is manifest that in order to be enabled to pay annuities so large, in proportion to the annual subscription of each member, as our Society stipulates in its scheme, the dependence must be, in a great degree, upon annual collections in the churches of the Diocese. I would therefore urge it upon the clergy, that they should make it a rule to devote one collection each year to that object; and moreover, instead of putting off the collection to the least propitious season of the year, and then making it in such a way as to produce the impression that it is regarded by the minister as one of very minor importance, for which little is expected, and which must wait till every thing else is provided for, that it be made one of the most prominent collections of the year, and that the clergy shall feel no backwardness in urging it upon the due consideration of their people. I believe that, when properly understood, the congregations will well appreciate the object; will feel the propriety of the appeal, and take pleasure in responding to it.

I have visited almost all the parishes of the Diocese since the last Convention. Of the few not visited, two, Trinity and Grace Church, Cleveland, would have been, but that these churches were in a state of repair or erection, so that they could not be used.

The visitations have been as follows :

St. John's, Worthington, confirmed 7; St. Peter's, Delaware, confirmed 8; St. Paul's, Cleveland, twice, confirmed 17, of whom 6 were of Grace Church, and 1 was of Trinity Church, Cleveland—a private

confirmation was administered to a sick man of Grace Church, Cleveland; St. James', Painesville, confirmed 3; St. Peter's, Ashtabula, confirmed 11; St. Matthew's, Plymouth, confirmed 5; Trinity, Jefferson, no confirmation; St. Peter's, Rome, confirmed 2; Grace Church, Sandusky, confirmed 23; Christ Church, Huron, confirmed 6; St. Luke's, Milan, St. John's, Wakeman, St. Andrew's, Elyria, no confirmation in either—all having been for some time without Ministers; St. Paul's, Fremont, confirmed 2; Trinity, Lyme, confirmed 3; St. Paul's, Bellevue, confirmed 5; Trinity, Toledo, confirmed 11; St. Paul's, Maumee, confirmed 5; St. John's, East Springfield, confirmed 1; St. James', Cross Creek, no confirmation; St. Paul's, Steubenville, confirmed 22; St. Paul's, Columbus, confirmed 8; Trinity, Troy, confirmed 5; Christ Church, Springfield, West, confirmed 9; Trinity, Columbus, confirmed 16; Trinity, Newark, confirmed 4; St. Luke's, Granville, confirmed 10; Harcourt, Gambier, confirmed, on two occasions, 22; Grace Church, Mansfield, confirmed 10; St. James', Wooster, then vacant, no confirmation; St. Paul's, Norwalk, confirmed 2; Christ Church, Dayton, confirmed 8; St. Paul's, Greenville, vacant, no confirmation; St. Philip's, Circleville, confirmed 9—one of whom belonged to St. James', Kingston; St. James', Kingston, no confirmation; St. Paul's, Chillicothe, confirmed 20; St. James', Piqua, confirmed 6; St. Luke's, Marietta, confirmed 13; All Saint's, Portsmouth, confirmed 23; St. John's, Cincinnati, confirmed 16; Christ Church, Cincinnati, confirmed 22; Grace, Berkshire, confirmed 1; Zion, Dresden, confirmed 16; St. Matthew's, Madison, confirmed 3; St. James', Zanesville, confirmed 31; St. John's, Cleveland, confirmed 18; St. Paul's, Euclid, confirmed 3; St. Philip's, Strongsville, confirmed 3; Christ Church, Penfield, confirmed 2; St. Luke's, Columbia, and St. Stephen's, Grafton, both vacant, no confirmations; St. Paul's, Medina, confirmed 13; St. Timothy's, Massillon, confirmed 4; Christ Church, Franklin, vacant, no confirmation; Christ Church, Hudson, confirmed 8; Bethel Church, Peninsula, vacant, no confirmation; St. John's, Cuyahoga, confirmed 7; St. Paul's, Akron, confirmed 2; St. Mark's, Newton Falls, vacant, no confirmation; Christ Church,

Warren, confirmed 7; St. James', Boardman, confirmed 6; St. Stephen's, Canfield, confirmed 4; St. Paul's, Cincinnati, confirmed 19; City Mission, supported by St. Paul's, Cincinnati, confirmed 16; St. Mary's, Hillsborough, confirmed 10; Epiphany, Urbana, confirmed 2; St. Paul's, Marion, no confirmation; St. Paul's, Mount Vernon, confirmed 2; St. John's, Lancaster, confirmed 7; St. Matthew's, Perry, no confirmation. Parishes visited, 70. Whole number of confirmations, 519.

By the favor of Divine Providence, giving me health and strength for the work, I have visited a greater number of parishes than ever before in one year, and the confirmations have much exceeded in number those of any previous year.

I have ordained, since the last Convention, three Deacons, viz: The Rev. William B. Rally, the Rev. N. C. Pridham, and the Rev. Peter Neff. By my request, George E. Thrall, a candidate for orders of this Diocese, who pursued his studies at the Theological Seminary of Virginia, was ordained a Deacon by the Rt. Rev. Wm. Meade, Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia. I have also ordained ten Presbyters, viz: The Rev. Mark Richard Jukes, the Rev. C. S. Doolittell, the Rev. D. C. Maybin, the Rev. Daniel Risser, the Rev. Thomas Corlett, the Rev. Joseph E. Ryan, the Rev. Francis Granger, the Rev. N. C. Pridham, the Rev. N. H. Schenck, and the Rev. Wm. B. Rally.

Three Churches have been consecrated during the year, viz: St. John's, Cincinnati; St. James', Zanesville; and St. John's, Lancaster. Others are expected to be soon ready for consecration.

Four new parishes have been organized, viz: St. Mary's, Hillsborough; Christ Church, Yellow Springs; Christ Church, Ironton; and Christ Church, Xenia. In all of these the prospect of the Church is good; and each, I trust, will soon have the services of a minister. At Hillsborough, where the parish is only nine months old, they have raised the means of building, and are now carrying up a handsome church, and are furnishing a competent support to their Rector.

The candidates for Orders are ten, viz: B. K. Maltby, Charles W. Farns, Henry H. Morrell, John Hochuly, Wm. F. Lloyd, Peter H.

Jeffries, John P. Curran, Warren H. Roberts, Richard L. Chittenden, Moses Hamilton.

The number of clergymen who have left the Diocese, by letters dimissory, during the last year, is painfully great—beyond that of any previous year. They are fourteen, viz: The Rev. Lloyd Windsor, to New York; the Rev. Chas. B. Stout, to Wisconsin; the Rev. Eli Adams, to Illinois; the Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., to Maryland; the Rev. George Denison, to Iowa; the Rev. J. E. Pattison, to England; the Rev. Anson Clarke, to Illinois; the Rev. W. N. Irish, to Missouri; the Rev. H. P. Powers, to Wisconsin; the Rev. James Trimble, to Maryland; the Rev. John E. Battin, to Western New York; the Rev. George E. Thrall, to Pennsylvania; the Rev. Dudley A. Tyng, to Pennsylvania; and the Rev. Wm. Preston, to Connecticut.

We have received, by letters dimissory, the Rev. James A. Bolles, D.D., from Western New York, who has taken charge of Trinity Church, Cleveland; the Rev. Edward Magee, from Michigan, who is engaged as a City Missionary in Cincinnati; the Rev. Homer Wheeler, from Indiana, who has taken charge of St. Peter's, Ashtabula; the Rev. Edward C. Benson, from Louisiana, who is connected, as Classical Teacher, with the Harcourt Place School, at Gambier; the Rev. George W. Watson, D.D., from Western New York, who is about to take charge of St. Paul's, Norwalk; and the Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D., from Maryland, who will in a few days take charge of Christ Church, Cincinnati.

CHANGES WITHIN THE DIOCESE.—Soon after the last Convention, the Rev. Thomas Corlett took charge, as a Deacon, of St. Luke's, Granville; the Rev. Francis Granger, of St. Andrew's, Elyria, with missionary stations attached; Joseph E. Ryan, of Grace Church, Berkshire; Noah Hunt Schenck, of St. Mary's, Hillsborough, and Trinity, Troy; and N. C. Pridham, of Epiphany Church, Urbana. All these, having been recently ordained Presbyters, have become, respectively, Rectors of the parishes thus named, except Mr. Schenck, who retains only St. Mary's, Hillsborough. The Rev. Wm. B. Rally has taken charge of a Mission among the German population of Cincinnati. The

Rev. Chandler Robbins has resigned Christ Church, Springfield. The Rev. Edward Winthrop, on account of a failure of voice, has resigned St. Paul's, Norwalk. The Rev. Peter Neff has taken charge of Christ Church, Yellow Springs, and Christ Church, Xenia. The Rev. R. K. Nash has resigned the parishes at Lyme and Bellevue, and taken charge of St. James', Wooster, with a missionary field attached. The Rev. Alanson Phelps has resigned the parish at Franklin Mills, and taken charge of St. James', Painesville. The Rev. John Hall has resigned the charge of St. Peter's, Ashtabula. The Rev. G. W. Davis has resigned the charge of St. Paul's, Medina.

I think you cannot but be struck and seriously impressed with the great number of clergymen that have left the Diocese of late. From June, 1853, to the present date—a period of 16 months—we have lost in that way *seventeen*. Add two by death, and our whole loss is *nineteen* in that short space,—all of them, with one exception, were parish ministers. To supply these losses, we have received but *eight* in 16 months by removal to us from other Dioceses. Ordination, or the raising up of ministers from among ourselves, has, during the same time, supplied *eight* more, who remain with us. But the loss exceeds the coming in from other Dioceses, united with the supply from our own candidates, by *three*. Thus, with all we have done to educate candidates for orders, and all we have received by the coming of ministers from other parts, we have decreased, by three, in the number of our clergy during the last sixteen months.

It is important to look into the causes of this. Are they temporary, or are they permanent? Do they threaten to go on, if not regularly decreasing our numbers, at least preventing their growth in any important degree?

Out of the nineteen, two were taken by death. We have seventeen to account for. One, a native of England, returned to his native country. Seven accepted invitations to parishes in New York, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and Maryland, under circumstances such as must always operate in all Dioceses, and therefore demand no explanation here. The remaining *nine* went to the further *Western* Dioceses, and, with

one exception, to Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa; not called to parishes of age and strength and worldly attraction; but, for the most part, to new parishes in new towns, and where the field of usefulness is not greater than in many vacant parishes of Ohio. In one aspect of the case, we cannot but rejoice that those Dioceses have thus received, as they certainly have, very valuable accessions to the number of their faithful ministry. But when we consider the need of laborers in the great field of our own Diocese, it is a very serious consideration that we are supplying others, not out of our abundance, nor merely out of our penury, but to our own decrease of strength and very serious impoverishment.

There are three causes which explain this painful draft upon our numbers. In the first place, *the great and lamentable deficiency in the support of our ministry.* In many instances, and where much more could be done, if there were a ready mind and a just sense of the duty involved, the pecuniary support is so little when received, and is made so much less by the want of punctuality in the payment, that no man can wonder, nor justly complain, that a minister, having a family to support, and children to educate, and his own mind to feed with knowledge, and books to purchase, and a great work to do which requires a mind as much as possible unburdened and undistracted by worldly anxieties, himself wearing out, and the prospect of leaving, when he dies, a family wholly destitute, should look out for some situation of a little more emolument, a little more hope, and a little less of the crushing and paralyzing influences of poverty. I can bear witness to the clergy of Ohio, that they have borne the evils of their condition with a measure of patience and cheerfulness, which nothing but a desire to labor for their Master can account for. Certain I am, that men of the same amount of education and energy and ability in other walks of life, would never have submitted to the privations and absolute poverty under which several of them have gone on working day and night, with no Sabbath-rest, and often refusing invitations to a better support, that they might not hinder the cause they love by depriving their people of services not likely to be soon renewed.

But it will be said, Is there not the same complaint in our other

Dioceses? Is it any better in those further western regions to which so many of our clergy have gone? Thus I am led to the second cause in explanation of our losses.

The amount of Missionary aid furnished in the east to the Dioceses lying westward and northwestward of Ohio, enable parishes there to offer a salary altogether beyond what those of like standing in Ohio can, or do supply. You know that several years ago the Domestic Committee of the General Missionary Society discontinued all appropriations to this Diocese, on the ground that it could take care of itself. I have not time to go into the justice of that act. I believe it was neither just nor wise. The Missionary field in Ohio is very large, and the Church in Ohio needs help to take care of it. But, thus left to itself, the Diocese has not received from its parishes a sufficient amount of money for missionary purposes to be able to assist more than a very limited number of feeble congregations in the support of the ministry; and where assistance has been appropriated, it has been necessarily in such small amounts that a bare pittance was made up—just enough to enable a minister and his family to live, and clothe themselves decently. But, at the same time, not only has the Domestic Committee of the General Society been aiding our western neighbors, but in many cases, and probably in all the parishes to which our clergy have gone, in the west, the stipend, made up by the joint contributions of the people and the General Missionary Society, has been greatly increased by the addition of an appropriation from that excellent Missionary Society in Philadelphia, which bestows its attention specially on the Dioceses that have drawn on us so largely. Thus we are loudly called on to increase our Diocesan missionary efforts, if we would retain the ministers we raise up, and not suffer a painful abstraction of the very men we most need for our new and feeble congregations. In truth, many of the small and new western parishes, under the double missionary aid which they receive from the two societies before mentioned, are able to offer, and do offer to our clergy, occupying parishes of corresponding condition, a measure of support which, to men in their circumstances, is an inducement to change of place, which we cannot wonder, or find fault, if they

accept. The remedy is in the greater exertion of our people to provide for their ministers, and the greater effort of the Diocese to provide the means of suitably adding to its missionary stipends, where they are needed.

But, I said there was a third reason for our loss of clergy. It is a permanent one; and it is one which may be expected to grow in strength, year by year, and which comes to us with a most imperative call, to be up and doing. It is in the immense growth of the population lying westward and northwest of this State—the constant addition of new Dioceses therein—and the loud demand for ministers to labor in their parishes and missionary stations. We are to those Dioceses, in a great degree, what the east used to be to us. We are an old Diocese, compared to them. To such parishes as desire that teaching of the Gospel, which, I am happy to know, is characteristic of the clergy of this Diocese (and the applications made to me for ministers from our western neighbors teach me that such parishes are not few), it is most natural to look first to Ohio, because it is nearest, and because its ministers may be supposed to be prepared better than those further east for the habits of a western people and a new country. Under this state of things, so many have gone from us during the last sixteen months, that I doubt whether any five Dioceses in the whole Union have given as many ministers as this to the Churches lying west and northwest of Ohio. The operation of this cause, you can easily see, must for a long time continue and increase. Add it to the operation of what I spoke of before, and you will find no difficulty in accounting for the fact that we have lost, by letters dimissory, during the last year, four more clergymen than we have added from other Dioceses and by ordination.

Now, my brethren, it is a very serious question for us to consider—What must we do, under this alarming draft upon our ministry, in justice to our own Diocese and the work of the Lord to be done therein? Can we consent, if not annually to decrease at such a rate in the number of our clergy, at least to be prevented from any important increase, when we have so large a field to occupy, and there is so great a work to be done? We ought to esteem it a privilege and a duty to take

part in the extension of our Church through our more western regions ; but we must also feel it to be our solemn duty, not only to hold what we possess in this our most appropriate sphere, but to go on extending therein our spiritual possessions and the supply of the ministry, more and more. And, for this end, shall we place reliance upon the coming in of ministers from other Dioceses ? Our more established and strong congregations can sometimes thus obtain supplies ; but may competent ministers—men of energy and usefulness—be expected to come from the distant east to take our feeble and struggling parishes, or to begin the first work in raising up new parishes where all is yet to be done ? Our experience teaches that we shall look in vain for such help. What, then, is our hope ? Decidedly, I answer — Nothing, under God's grace, but the united determination of our clergy and laity, to do all we can to increase the number of devoted, faithful, well educated ministers, raised up from among ourselves, on our own soil, in the midst of the work for which they are needed ; a home supply. Our only reliance is in such a supply. The east takes at least as many from us as the east sends to us. We must look to our own resources—our own young men, our own education, our own ordinations, for our protection and increase. What, then, must we do ? I answer—We must make it a distinct object of our ministry, each in his own congregation, by his faithfulness in his whole work, by the word preached, and under the supplicated spirit of the Lord, to raise up candidates for the work. If we are commanded to pray the Lord to send laborers, we are as much required to use certain other means which the Lord has given us, in order that our prayers may be heard. What if we should pray the Lord to raise up and send forth children of grace to serve him in the ordinary walks of Christian life, and should never preach the word—never by that word call upon sinners to dedicate themselves thus to God—never set out the duty, the claim, nor the motives ! Where would be the blessing ? Who would be sent ? Are we not under an important practical error in regard to the sending of laborers ? God must choose and send, or none should enter the field. But because it is for God only primarily to choose and send, is it not too much supposed that, therefore, except to

educate and ordain those who trust they are called of God, we have nothing to do? Can any man be a Christian, except God, by his Spirit, doth call and create him? Doth not the Saviour say, "No man can come unto me, except the Father, which hath sent me, draw him"? Suppose, then, we should say, when we think we see in some soul the operations of grace, leading him to look unto Jesus, we will not, we need not, have any dealings with that soul to direct and facilitate and make sure his settlement upon Christ. If it be God's work, he will see to it, and our voice is not needed! No, it is our duty to employ means—the word, counsel, exhortation, encouragement, admonition—so that, under God, that good may be carried on. And why is not the same our bounden duty, when we think we know the young man, who, because of his piety and other qualities is well fitted, except that he yet needs the right education, for the ministry of Christ? Why shall we separate the use of means, on our part, from the work of God, any more in this case than in the former? Does God ever call sinners, either to the ministry or ordinary discipleship, without his word? Does he not call young men to his ministry, by the preaching and private admonition, and counsel and exhortation of ministers, as much as he calls sinners to Christ by the same means? Is it not as much our duty to seek the raising up of faithful ministers, as the salvation of souls? How else can that great instrumentality, which God has ordained for the promotion of his kingdom in all generations, be sustained and perpetuated and made adequate to its object? Should not every minister aspire, in his heart and prayers and ministry, after the privilege and blessing of being instrumental, in His work, of raising up faithful men of God for the preaching of his Gospel?

I know, brethren, there is great need of caution, of wisdom, and the soundest judgment, lest we encourage and promote to the ministry those who can be of no use therein. Far am I, indeed, from desiring anything but the greatest caution. On the contrary, the more I would urge the endeavor to increase the number of candidates for the ministry, the more, at the same time, would I press the necessity of great circumspection, that not only may none but truly pious and devoted

men, but that only those who, to soundness of piety, add soundness of judgment, and strength of understanding, and readiness to endure hardness for their Master, may be put forward as candidates for the office of his messengers. But still, I have no doubt, there is much to be done by us, consistently with the greatest discretion, beyond what we have ever done, to bring out and train up young men of our parishes for the work which needs so many.

These views conduct us still further. If we intend to do our duty towards the requisite supply of ministers from our midst, young men of the west (and these are the best for the west); if we are to meet the demand which the further west is making on us, and the great demand of our own Diocese, we must concentrate our united and most determined efforts upon the prosperity and efficiency of our Diocesan College and Theological Seminary. We have nothing of much consequence to expect from other seminaries. We must rely on our own; we must work the means we there possess to the uttermost.

The Diocese, I have the pleasure of saying, has great reason to be cheered and encouraged by the condition and prospect of both our College and Seminary. I spent about a week, recently, at Gambier, attending the examinations which preceded the close of the academic year. I was happy to meet there several of the committee appointed by the last Convention to attend the same. I witnessed a marked improvement and growth in all departments. New life and vigor have entered in. New confidence has been inspired. New prospects are opened. The number of students in the College is rapidly increasing. Several of those recently added have the ministry in view. And now, if the clergy and laity will do their part in holding up the hands of the Trustees and of the Instructors of our institutions; if we are not wanting in prayer to God for his grace to bless, and, especially, in beseeching him to call out from among the youth of our college the minds and hearts to be consecrated to his ministry, we may be encouraged to believe that many a precious stream, beyond all past experience, will issue from thence to make glad the city of our God.

But all the while that I have been thus addressing you on these

topics, my thoughts have been continually running off to one subject, with which they have a most serious connection. I dare say your own thoughts have been running the same way, viz: the same that I have already touched on in this address, the painfully deficient support, in pecuniary means, which our clergy, for the most part, are receiving. My brethren in the ministry, be sure that I think of you often and painfully, and that I feel for you most deeply, in the trials that come upon you daily from this source.

The average support of our clergy has always been low and incompetent. A minister has no spare time or heart for such cares and anxieties as poverty engenders. His ministry is a work of mind and heart, and it requires that both be unburdened, except with its own duties. We have suffered in times past from the necessity, on the part of our clergy, of dividing themselves between the cares of this life and the care of the souls committed to them; but never were the times so dark, in this respect, as the present. The increase in the expenses of living all over the land, which to our people in general is no cost, because their wages or profits are increased proportionately, while to our agricultural population it is great gain; this has cut down the previously moderate, and often inadequate, support of our clergy to so great a degree, that unless some remedy be provided, it would seem that many more of our parishes must be desolated, and as if we could hardly have faith or heart to seek and pray for more laborers to be sent forth among us. And this is the more lamentable because it is not peculiar to the Church in this Diocese, but prevails as much in others, and perhaps in all others. The Conventional Addresses of my brother Bishops have borne most painful evidence of the weight with which it is felt to oppress the Church throughout the land. Some indications there are, here and there among us, as elsewhere, of a disposition on the part of the congregations to meet the emergency, and adjust the support of ministers to the change of the times. But these indications are exceptions. The eyes of the Church are not yet opened — the conscience of the congregations is not yet alive — as the seriousness of the case demands. In this address, already prolonged too far, I cannot enter

on any consideration, in detail, of what may and ought to be done. I have introduced the subject as one of the greatest importance, on which my duty to my brethren in the ministry would not allow me to keep silence, and I trust it may receive some solemn consideration in the present Convention.

In all respects, except those especially referred to in this address, which are rather circumstantial than intrinsic, I am thankful to have the happiness of reporting the state of the Diocese to be truly encouraging. Great peace and a delightful harmony reign among us. The contributions to good works have much exceeded, during the last year and the year before, those of any previous year. Though our parishes have not increased much in number, many have increased very much in real strength and efficiency. Our clergy are laboring with faithfulness and devotedness in their appropriate work, preaching the true and simple gospel of Christ—and my visitations have satisfied me that the blessing of the Spirit of God has rested upon their efforts.

While I was preparing this address, the afflicting intelligence reached me of the death of an excellent brother in the Episcopate, the Rt. Rev. Jonathan M. Wainwright, D.D., Provisional Bishop of the Diocese of New York. Called but a short time ago to preside over a Diocese most painfully divided and distracted, his prudence and moderation, his amiableness and kindness of spirit, his love of peace and conciliatory manners, united with the diligence with which he entered upon his difficult work, promised excellent things for the harmony and prosperity of the Diocese. So far as we can see, the Church in New York was little prepared to spare him so soon. But there is a Head of the Church whose thoughts are not as our thoughts. To His sovereign will we must bow in submission, as well in the afflictions of the Church, as in those of our families and persons. Our venerable brother, I trust, has found a more glorious communion to delight in, than that of the visible Church on earth. With the bereaved Diocese from which he has been taken, we cannot but affectionately sympathise; and for it we must pray God to supply its vacant chair with a Bishop and Father, who in all things

will do the work of an evangelist, and make full proof his ministry, to the edifying of the Church, and the glory of Christ our Saviour.

CHAS. P. M'ILVAINE.

On motion of Col. Bond,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the support of the clergy, be referred to a select committee of five laymen.

Whereupon, the Bishop appointed the following gentlemen: Col. Bond, Judge Hall, Mr. J. W. Andrews, Mr. D. Griffith, and Mr. E. T. Sterling.

The Rev. Dr. Burr, from the Committee on Credentials, reported the following additional Lay Delegates: from

St. Luke's Church, Milan—W. F. Dean, A. Minuse, and A. McClure.

Christ Church, Penfield—Beri Andrews, Lewis Jones.

St. Andrew's, Elyria—A. P. Dayton, H. C. Safford.

These names being called, Mr. A. Minuse answered and took his seat.

Judge Hall offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That in their next Annual Reports, the clergy be requested to state the amount of salary promised by their parishes, with the amount, if any, of arrearages due them.

Rev. Dr. Muenscher, from the Committee on Canons, made the following preliminary report:

The Committee on Canons would respectfully report:

That they are divided in opinion with regard to the expediency of changing the time for holding the Annual Convention of the Diocese; but that, in order to obtain the sense of the Convention, they would propose for consideration the following resolution:

Resolved, That Art. II. of the Constitution be amended by striking out the words "the first Wednesday after the 20th of September," and inserting "the second Wednesday in May."

They would also approve of the proposed amendment of Article IV. of the Constitution.

They recommend, also, the adoption of the resolution providing for a "Committee on the State of the Church"

JOS. MUENSCHER, Chairman.

After several proposed amendments to the first part of said report, the following resolution, offered by Rev. J. McElroy, was adopted :

Resolved, That the next annual Convention of this Diocese be held on the first Thursday of June, 1855.

On motion of Rev. G. W. DuBois,

Resolved, That 1000 copies of the Bishop's Address be published in a separate form, for distribution among the parishes of the Diocese.

Rev. Mr. Fairchild, on behalf of the Trustees of the Trust Fund of Bethel Church, Peninsula, read the following report :

The Trustees of the fund for the benefit of Bethel Church, Peninsula, report the state of the fund as follows :

Notes secured by mortgage.....	\$1100 00
Note and interest not collected	407 00
Now due.....	<u><u>\$1507 00</u></u>
Received on these notes, principal and interest..	\$137 00
Interest unpaid on mortgage	56 00
	<u><u>\$193 00</u></u>

The last item was left unpaid because it was not wanted for the benefit of the parish, and was amply secured.

T. B. FAIRCHILD,
A. A. BREWSTER.

HUDSON, Sept. 25, 1854.

Rev. Mr. Blackaller, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, made the following report, which was accepted :

The Committee on Unfinished Business respectfully report as follows :

That on page 28, the Committee appointed at the previous Convention to devise means to raise funds to endow the Episcopate, reported by Dr. Wood that they had as yet been unable to fix upon a plan, and asked to be continued—which was granted—Judge Hall being substituted in the place of Col. Pendleton, then in Europe.

On page 37, the Committee to whom was referred that portion of the Bishop's Address which related to the decease of the late Presiding Bishop Chase, were instructed to take into consideration the propriety, and if thought proper, to propose a plan, for erecting a Mural Tablet

in Rosse Chapel, Gambier, to the memory of the Rt. Rev. Philander Chase, D.D., the first Bishop of Ohio, and founder of Kenyon College.

On the same page, 37, are the preamble and resolution of Col. Bond, respecting the Committee appointed at the previous Convention to confer with the Board of Trustees of Kenyon College, recommending that a committee of five be appointed, with instructions to perform said duties, and to report at the next Annual Convention. This committee was appointed, and consisted of Rev. L. Windsor, Rev. H. B. Wallbridge, Wm. K. Bond, T. C. Jones, and J. W. Andrews.

All which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY BLACKALLER, *Chairman.*

Mr. S. N. Sanford offered the following resolutions, which were referred to a special committee, consisting of three clergymen and three laymen ; whose report to be made the order of the day for to-morrow afternoon :

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention, the education of our daughters is a matter no less important than is the education of our sons ; and that the large endowments of Colleges for the education of males, and the total want of all such endowment for the education of females, involves a manifest inconsistency, and one which our Church has acted upon too long already.

Resolved, That the time has fully come when it is incumbent upon churchmen of Ohio to provide an Institution for the Christian education of their daughters, which shall bear a favorable comparison, in the liberality of its provisions, with our noble Institutions at Gambier; adapted in its character to the wants of the times, and the demands of those who are likely to become its patrons.

The Chair appointed the following persons said committee : Rev. Dr. Burr, Rev. J. McElroy, Rev. L. Carter, and Messrs. S. N. Sanford, D. D. Aiken, and John Clarke.

On motion of Judge Hall, the subject of vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, was referred to a special committee of three ; and the Chair appointed Judge Hall, Rice Harper, and Rev. Mr. Cumming.

Mr. J. W. Andrews offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That that portion of the Bishop's Address in which is set forth the claims of the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, be referred to the committee of five heretofore appointed.

On motion of Rev. J. McElroy,

Resolved, That that portion of the Bishop's Address in which he refers to the subject of training up young men for the ministry of the Church, be referred to a committee of three.

The Chair appointed Rev. Messrs. McElroy and Du Bois and Dr. Coleman said committee.

The Convention then adjourned till 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, *September 29, 1854.*

The Convention met at 9 o'clock, a. m., and, after devotional services, the roll of the Clergy was called, and the following, in addition to those heretofore present, answered and took their seats :

Rev. J. B. Britton,
C. W. Fitch,

J. E. Ryan,
H. B. Wallbridge.

The roll of Lay Delegates being called, the following additional answered to their names :

W. Munger,
R. C. Hurd,

M. H. Mitchell,
M. G. Mitchell.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

On motion, the order of the day was suspended.

Rev. Dr. Burr, from the Committee on Credentials, reported the following names : from

St. James', Piqua—M. G. Mitchell, G. V. Dorsey.

Christ Church, Mt. Vernon—Truman Purdy, J. C. Stockton, M. H. Mitchell.

Harcourt Parish, Gambier—Lorin Andrews.

Trinity, Toledo—Henry Bennett, Francis L. Nichols, Decius Wadsworth.

Whose names being called, M. G. Mitchell, M. H. Mitchell, and Lorin Andrews, appeared and took their seats as members of the Convention.

The same committee also reported that they had ex-

amined and found correct the papers relating to the organization of Christ Church, Ironton, and accordingly recommended that the same be received into union with this Convention.

Adopted.

The same committee reported the following additional Lay Delegate : from

Christ Church, Ironton—George W. Jackson.

Who appeared and took his seat in the Convention.

Rev. Mr. Nicholson, at the request of Rev. Mr. Winthrop, Chairman of Committee on Examinations at Gambier, read the following report, which was accepted, and ordered to be entered on the journals :

The Chairman of the Committee on Examinations of Kenyon College and Theological Seminary, reports that several members of the committee were present at the annual examination preceding Commencement. All the college students were examined in the Greek Testament; the Freshmen in Geometry, Ancient History, Herodotus, and the Satires of Horace; the Sophomores in Analytical Geometry, Surveying, Modern History, Cicero de Senectute, &c., and OEdipus Tyrannus; and the Juniors in Guizot's History of Civilization, Cicero de Oratore, and Astronomy. There was a class in Engineering, which, under the instruction of Mr. Barry, were becoming practically acquainted with that important and useful branch of science.

In all these examinations, the students, on the whole, acquitted themselves with a good degree of proficiency, and the result was creditable both to them and their instructors. The committee, however, were of opinion that there was great room for improvement in regard to distinctness of articulation. Some of the students, in the reading of the Greek and Latin classics, were too much in the habit of precipitating syllable after syllable, in a manner that prevented clearness of utterance, and hindered them from exhibiting the full force and beauty of the author.

The examination of the Grammar School followed that of the College proper, and here too the students showed that they were undergoing a thorough training. Next came the examination of the Theological Students in the Hebrew and Greek Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, in Pastoral Divinity, Systematic Divinity, Evidences of Christianity, Ecclesiastical History, &c. It was conducted in a thorough and scholar-like manner, and showed that both professors and students had been very diligent in their work. The chairman of this committee attended also the examinations in the month of March, at

the close of the spring session, and these were of the same general character with the ones just specified.

The catalogue for the past year contains the names of seven in the last Junior class, fourteen in the last Sophomore, and fifteen in the last Freshman. Four young men graduated at Commencement. The fall and winter term has but just commenced, and already upwards of twenty have entered the new Freshman class, and others are expected. Nearly every room in the College buildings is occupied, and, very soon, additional accommodations will be required. There are now in the College and Grammar School over a hundred students, about fifty-five of whom are in the College proper. The prospects of the Institution are better than they have been for many years, and, under the able and efficient superintendence of President Lorin Andrews, parents and guardians may feel every confidence that good discipline will be kindly but firmly maintained, and a wholesome moral and religious influence exerted.

EDWARD WINTHROP,
Chairman of the Committee.

Rev. Mr. Badger, Secretary of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, read the following report, which was referred to the Standing Committee on Missions:

The Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese would report, that their chief anxiety during the year has been, not as in former years, as to how they could raise a scanty pittance for the few laborers in the field, but as to where they could find suitable laborers for gathering the vast and whitening harvest, and on whom they could appropriately bestow the funds generously placed by the Church at their disposal.

The continued abundant supply of funds in the treasury has doubtless been owing, in a great measure, to the reappointment of the General Agent, in accordance with a resolution of the last Convention.

The urgent demand for help from so many destitute portions of the vineyard, and the impossibility of finding relief for all of them among our present ministry, have led the committee to look more earnestly than usual among the pious youth of the Church, and to make it a part of the duty of the Agent to look out proper persons, to set before them the claims of the ministry and inducements to enter upon a preparatory course, with the assurance to all who need pecuniary assistance, that, should they prove competent and acceptable men for the work, the Church would amply supply them with the means for preparing themselves for her ministry. The efforts of the Agent have been in a measure successful. And it is believed that the same course, steadily pursued hereafter, will keep the subject as a definite one before both our Clergy and people, and cause them to feel that in praying the Lord of the Harvest to send forth laborers into his harvest, they must also use their influence, and put forth their own exertions to accomplish the

object of their prayer. Fourteen young men, pursuing their studies in the Diocesan Institution at Gambier, have, during the year, or some portion of it, been aided by the committee, and the prospect is that the number will hereafter be much larger. Fifteen missionaries have been assisted by the funds of the Church. One of the number has been suddenly cut off by the prevailing pestilence, in the midst of his usefulness. He had done his work faithfully, and with a single eye to the glory of God. The Master of the vineyard has called him to receive his reward. Who will take his vacant post?

The amount of appropriations made by the committee and paid by their treasurer, as his report will show, has been—to Missionaries, \$1,176, and to Beneficiaries, \$928.98. Over one thousand dollars have already been appropriated to Beneficiaries for the ensuing year, and the prospect is that a much larger sum than this will be needed by the educational department. Full three thousand will be needed to enable the missionary labors to go on with any thing like the efficiency which the urgency of the demands require.

The committee feel that they cannot any longer restrict either the Missionaries or Beneficiaries to the small allowance heretofore granted. The great advance every where in the expense of living, makes it necessary that they should help with a more liberal hand, and look in faith to the Church at large to sustain them in their course.

The committee know of no action to suggest, other than a steady perseverance in the measures already adopted, and which seem to be favored with the smiles of Heaven.

N. BADGER, *Secretary.*

Judge Hall, from the select committee on the subject of vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, read the following report, which was adopted:

The committee to whom was referred a suggestion from the chair, in regard to the eligibility of one of the members of the Board of Trustees of Kenyon College, report as follows :

The third Article of the Constitution of the Seminary provides, "that no officer of the Seminary, or of any institution that may be annexed thereto, except the President of Kenyon College, shall be eligible to said Board." The case brought under the consideration of the committee, is that of a Reverend gentleman, who, being President of Kenyon College, was elected a Trustee, but who, during the term of his office of Trustee, resigned the Presidency, retaining a Professorship. The committee have no hesitation in arriving at the conclusion, that this seat in the board is vacant. The disqualification embraces all officers of the Seminary, except the President; and when the incumbent ceased to be President, remaining a Professor, the objection became applicable to him in letter and spirit. The committee think the objection not merely technical, but a very grave one. Officers of the institutions at Gambier are very properly excluded from the board of Trustees, on

account of their personal interest and feeling in many of the questions which might be presented for discussion and action before the board, in respect to which they might not be as competent as others to act impartially, while their presence might influence or embarrass others. Besides, the exception made in favor of the actual President, indicates that his presence in the board, as a member, may be desirable, and points clearly to the propriety of the vacation of the seat held by his predecessor; for how else shall room be made him? Shall some other member resign? We think not. The President who resigned the office, should divest himself of all its appurtenances. The committee offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the seat in the board of Trustees, occupied by the late President of Kenyon College, is vacant, and should be filled without delay, by a new election.

On motion by Rev. Mr. M'Elroy, the Convention proceeded to fill the above vacancies in the board of Trustees.

Rev. Mr. Holden and Mr. E. T. Sterling were appointed tellers.

The following gentlemen were nominated: Lorin Andrews, W. K. Bond, Rufus King, Kent Jarvis, Rev. Mr. Nicholson, John W. Andrews, and James Hall.

Messrs. Bond, J. W. Andrews and Hall, severally declined the nomination.

Whereupon, on collecting and counting the ballots, the tellers announced that Messrs. Lorin Andrews and Rev. W. R. Nicholson had received a majority of all the votes cast, and they were declared duly elected.

There being still a vacancy, further balloting was unanimously dispensed with, and Rufus King being nominated, was unanimously elected.

The report of the special committee appointed by last Convention to examine the condition of Kenyon College, was made the order of the day at the opening of the session this afternoon.

Mr. W. H. Johnston presented a communication and remonstrance from St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati, on the

subject of assessments, which were referred to the Committee on Finance.

Rev. Mr. French offered the following proposed amendment to Article IV. of the Constitution, which was referred to the committee on Canons:

Add at the close of the Article, the following sentence: "The President of Kenyon College shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention, *ex officio*."

On motion, the Convention took a recess till half past two o'clock, p. m.

FRIDAY, 2½ o'clock, p. m.

The Convention reassembled, and engaged in devotional exercises.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The order of the day was dispensed with, in order to hear the report of the Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee, which was then presented by Rev. Mr. Blake, and accepted:

A. BLAKE, Treasurer, in account with the MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION FUNDS of the Diocese of Ohio.

1853-4.	DR.
Balance, Sept., 1853.....	\$405 01
Convention collection at Delaware, 1853.....	34 25
Ashtabula, St. Peter's.....	16 12
Akron, St. Paul's.....	13 95
Ashland	11 75
Bellevue, St. Paul's.....	6 85
Boardman, St. James'.....	15 00
Bloomfield	1 05
Canfield, St. Stephen's.....	16 00
Chillicothe, St. Paul's.....	134 76
Cincinnati, Christ's.....	1212 75
Cincinnati, St. Paul's.....	189 66
Cincinnati, St. John's.....	93 65
Cleveland, St. Paul's.....	148 03
Cleveland, Trinity.....	89 50
Cleveland, Grace.....	20 29

Cleveland, St. John's.....	57 15
Circleville, St. Philip's	\$9 50
Columbia, St. Luke's.....	9 50
Columbus, Trinity.....	54 15
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's.....	65 00
Cross Creek, St. James'.....	10 00
Dayton, Christ's.....	41 00
Delaware, St. Peter's.....	35 41
East Liverpool, St. Stephen's.....	2 00
East Plymouth, St. Matthew's.....	13 00
Elyria, St. Andrews	3 00
Euclid, St. Paul's.....	12 00
Gambier, Hareourt	49 23
Granville, St. Luke's.....	21 00
Grafton, St. Stephen's.....	13 00
Hudson, Christ's.....	5 00
Huron, Christ's.....	5 00
Jefferson, Trinity.....	50
Lyme Trinity	32 40
Lancaster St. John's	20 00
Marietta, St. Luke's.....	53 50
Marion, St. Paul's.....	4 50
Maumee City, St. Paul's.....	29 00
Medina, St. Paul's.....	28 50
Massillon, St. Timothy's.....	75 00
Monroeville	1 12
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's.....	38 50
Newark, Trinity.....	5 00
Norwalk, St. Paul's.....	30 00
Perry, St. Matthew's.....	1 00
Portsmouth, All Saints.....	241 25
Piqua, St. James'.....	25 00
Sandusky City, Grace.....	38 12
Springfield, Christ's.....	58 00
Springfield, Jefferson county, St. John's.....	2 00
Steubenville St. Paul's.....	120 00
Strongsville, St. Philip's.....	7 00
Toledo, Trinity.....	40 00
Troy, Trinity.....	4 00
Unionville, St. Michael's.....	2 00
Urbana, Epiphany.....	5 00
Warren, Christ's.....	31 95
Wooster, St. James'.....	16 86
Worthington, St. John's.....	36 72
Zanesville, St. James'.....	87 00
Miss Caroline Pomeroy, Pomeroy.....	100 00
Mrs. Maxwell, Kingston.....	10 00
Mrs. Kendall.....	1 00
Mrs. Ransom, Harpersfield.....	2 00
Dr. Wm. Scott, Washington, Miss.....	5 00

Rev. J. L. Bryan.....	\$3 00
Friend, Napoleon, O.....	1 12
German S. S., Cincinnati.....	1 00
Sundry sources.....	6 41
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	\$3977 01

1853-4	CONTRA.	Cr.
Cash paid Rev. J. J. M'Ilhenny, due in 1851 ...	50 00	
" " C. B. Stout.....	10 00	
" " G. B. Sturges.....	150 00	
" " T. Corlett.....	100 00	
" " H. Hollis.....	100 00	
" " A. Phelps	100 00	
" " N. C. Pridham.....	100 00	
" " W. B. Rally.....	100 00	
" " R. K. Nash.....	75 00	
" " M. R. Jukes.....	57 00	
" " F. Granger.....	50 00	
" " C. S. Doolittell.....	50 00	
" " J. E. Ryan.....	50 00	
" " D. Risser.....	50 00	
" " S. Marks.....	54 00	
" " A. Edwards.....	50 00	
" " T. B. Dooley.....	30 00	1176 00
Beneficiaries.....		985 98
" Agent, to Oct. 1st, 1854.....		625 00
" traveling expenses.....		147 87
" postage, stationery, etc.....		15 85
" expenses attendant on committee meetings.....		5 50
" postage, exchange, &c.....		5 50
Balance on hand.....		<hr/> 1015 30 <hr/>
		\$3977 00

Col. Bond, from the committee appointed at last Convention to examine and report on the history and pecuniary condition of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, presented the following report :

The committee appointed at the last Convention, under certain resolutions relating to the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, and to whom was also referred the report of the Board of Trustees of said institutions, have attended to the duties assigned them, and now ask leave respectfully to report.

The duties alluded to may be thus stated :

1. To confer with the Board of Trustees, and make report on the financial condition of the institutions at Gambier; and also on the af-

fairs of said institutions, as exhibited in the report of the Board of Trustees, made at the last Convention.

2. To inquire what plan has been proposed or adopted by the Board of Trustees for investing the funds of these institutions, and report the same, together with the opinion of the committee thereon.

3. To examine into the state and condition of the institutions, and to report the same, with the opinion of the committee upon the necessity or expediency of any further action in the premises, on the part of the Convention.

The committee determined to visit Gambier, with a view to a more satisfactory discharge of these duties; and deemed it both proper and respectful to inform the Board of Trustees of the proposed meeting, and to invite their presence. This was done by letter addressed to the Bishop of the Diocese, *ex officio* President of the Board, who, however, did not deem it necessary to convene the Trustees; but said, in his reply, that the Rev. Dr. Wing, Treasurer and Agent of the Board of Trustees, would be at hand during the session of the committee, and ready to render whatever aid might be in his power, and would also lay the books of his office before the committee, at their request.

Two-only of the committee attended at Gambier at the appionted time—June, 1854; the Rev. Mr. Windsor having removed from the Diocese, and Messrs. Wallbridge and Jones being unavoidably detained at home.

The members of the committee attending at Gambier, proceeded to make such inquiries and investigations as seemed appropriate and necessary in discharge of these duties.

First. The committee now propose to take up the first inquiry, relating to the financial condition and affairs of the institutions at Gambier, and to the report of the Board of Trustees. The report of the Trustees, under the head of "A general statement of the pecuniary condition of the institution," presents a schedule which, the committee suppose, is intended to include all the property and resources of the Seminary and College, with an estimated value of the whole.

The specifications in this statement are, in several instances, rather indefinite; as, for example, this item: "Estimated value of buildings and other real and personal property, not productive, \$119,973.94." There are others equally general, and without identity of description and specific detail, and which may be referred to.

The report estimates the entire property and resources, after deducting all liabilities, at \$254,156.18; and in this estimate, the Trustees say, "the buildings are put down at their cost."

It is not the purpose of the committee, in any manner whatever, to question the sincerity of the Trustees in a single fact or figure contained in their report; but, with great deference and perfect respect, a few remarks on this subject will now be submitted.

Independent of the indefinite character of the items alluded to, it will be found that a large part of one of them consists of buildings which are valued at their cost.

The cost of buildings and other improvements since 1831, is stated at \$80,638.05, and to this must be added the cost of the main college

edifice and many others, built anterior to 1831, and yet remaining, as they must have been included in the estimated value reported. It will thus be seen that nearly one half of the grand total of the "pecuniary condition" of these institutions consists of buildings estimated at their cost. It is well known that one of the buildings, erected since 1831, at a large expense, has been sold at less than half its cost; and thus gives further proof, were it necessary, of the truth of the old adage mentioned in the report, that "it is cheaper to buy than to build."

The committee fear that this estimate of buildings at their cost would prove very deceptive in any emergency. It may be said that these buildings are all needed for the uses of the institutions, and that the estimated value is of no consequence. But if the valuation is made, it ought, in the judgment of the committee, to be done on the basis of just experience, so as to avoid creating erroneous impressions.

In further considering this "general statement" of the "pecuniary condition" of the institution, the following item appears, to wit:

"Proceeds of land sales, other debts due the institution, Scholarship and Professorship funds, and cash, after deducting all liabilities, \$71,920.22."

The committee have endeavored to ascertain from the report the separate amount of each fund included in the above total, and the result is as follows, to wit:

Proceeds of sales of real estate, after deducting certain debts, &c.....	\$41,841 74
Other debts due, (none specified).....	
Cash do.....	
Scholarship and Professorship funds, classed in the report under the head of "unexpended funds," viz:	

The Milnor Professorship Fund,.....	7,500 00
The Griswold " "	10,000 00
The Scholarship subscription "	11,386 37
The Hannah More Scholarship Fund.....	2,175 00
The Charles D. Betts Library "	1,000 00
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	\$73,908 11

It will thus be observed that, after excluding the items "debts" and "cash" — the amounts not being specified — the above aggregate exceeds the total of the same items, as given in the general statement.

The committee are unable to account for the discrepancy, nor are they aware of any reason for designating these endowments as "UNEXPENDED funds."

These several Scholar and Professorship Funds are to be preserved entire, so far as the *principal* is concerned; and the committee suppose there must be some inadvertent error, in treating them as "unexpended funds." The other items of the "general statement" are—

"1595 acres farming land,".....	\$39,762 02
"Water power, and land connected therewith,"....	3,000 00
"Lands in Union county,".....	1,000 00

The land in Union county has been since sold, probably for its estimate.

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The committee have thus brought into view the entire property, funds and resources of these institutions, so far as the same are disclosed in the report of the Trustees. They cannot concur in the estimates of value, as fixed by the Trustees in their "general statement;" but this is a matter of minor importance, unless an exigency arise compelling a sale, which the committee hope will not occur.

A question of grave importance now claims attention, in discussing "the financial condition" of these institutions; it is this: What is their annual income; and is it adequate to their expenditures? On these points the report of the Trustees does not inform us.

The committee, from statements furnished by Mr. Wing, the Treasurer and Agent of the Board of Trustees, find the following sources of income, to wit:

	Principal.	Interest.
1. The Milnor Professorship Fund.....	\$ 7,500 00	\$700 00
2. The Griswold do do.....	10,000 00	640 00
3. The Scholarship Subscription do.....	11,686 37	828 42
4. The Hannah More do do.....	2,175 00	217 50
5. The Charles D. Betts Lib'ry do.....	1,000 00	100 00
6. The Donation of Mrs. Isabella Davis..	510 00	51 00
7. Miscellaneous.....	975 00	58 50
8. Rents.....		1,243 25
9. Tuition fees and room rent		1,088 00
10. Proceeds of sales of real estate	43,049 55	2,704 07
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	\$76,895 92	\$7,630 74

It is thus seen, that if the interest now said to be accruing on these funds shall be punctually paid, the total of the income will be \$7,-630.74.

It is appropriate, now, to submit a statement of the annual expenses of these institutions, as derived from the Treasurer and Agent of the Board of Trustees.

1. Kenyon College—salaries of President and Professors, and all other officers and employés.....	\$4,550 00
2. Theological Seminary—salaries of Professors and In- structor in Hebrew.....	1,400 00
3. Interest on debts of the College and Seminary.....	450 00
4. Salary of Agent and Treasurer.....	300 00
5. Taxes and insurance.....	475 00
6. General current repairs.....	500 00
7. Interest of "Betts Library Fund," annually expended in the purchase of books for the Library of the Theo- logical Seminary.....	100 00
8. Interest of the "Isabella Davis Fund," at present ap- plied by the Trustee as an addition to the income of the Milnor Professorship Fund	51 00
Total annual expenditures.....	\$7,826 00

The result exhibits an excess of expenditures, say \$195.26, beyond the income ; and there is nothing to justify the hope that, with the present system, a new accumulation of debt can be avoided, unless otherwise provided for. It may be well, too, to consider, whether the income, as now reported, will continue and be punctually paid ; and is there not just ground to apprehend that the expenditures will increase ?

The committee deem it best here to review the several heads of income and expenditure :

I. The Milnor Professorship Fund.

This fund was originally designed to be \$10,000. It bears the name of the late Dr. Milnor, for many years the justly revered Rector of St. George's Church, New York, whose members made the liberal contribution of \$7,000 in aid of the fund. A further sum of \$500 was contributed by Judge Chase, of Vermont, brother of the late Bishop Chase, but the balance of the subscription proved unavailable. By information derived from St. George's Church, the committee are enabled to state that the present aggregate of the fund is \$7,678.14 ; some little addition having been made to the \$7,500 before mentioned, but from what source the committee are uninformed. The committee are also informed that on the 9th February, 1848, the Vestry of St. George's Church advised, that the bond of that corporation be issued to its Treasurer, for the time being, for the sum of \$7,000, in perpetual trust, for the Milnor Professorship in Kenyon College, bearing 6 per cent. interest, and payable semi-annually. The committee suppose that the balance of the fund, say \$678.14, is now secured, with interest, in the same way, but do not know the fact.

The right of nomination to the Milnor Professorship was vested in the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of St. George's Church, for the period of ten years after the death of the Rev. Dr. Milnor, which expires in April, 1855. And on the 9th February, 1854, the Vestry of St. George's Church proposed, in case the Trustees of Kenyon College would agree to continue the right of nomination to said Professorship to that corporation for the period of ten years more, to April, 1865, the Treasurer should be directed to pay the additional sum, annually, necessary to make up seven hundred dollars per annum, for the period of ten years. The committee learn that this proposition has been accepted by the Board of Trustees ; and thus, for ten years to come, it is believed, the annual income from this source may be relied on as amounting to \$700. The committee, however, respectfully suggest that something should be done, not only to make the principal of this endowment permanently ten thousand dollars, but as much beyond that amount as will yield an adequate yearly salary for the incumbent.

II. The Griswold Professorship Fund.

This endowment bears the honored name of the late excellent Bishop Griswold, who at the time of his death was the Senior Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

The Patron of this fund is the Rev. Archibald M. Morrison, of Massachusetts, who generously gave the whole amount, \$10,000, which at present is invested as follows : 1. Two notes of \$1,000 each, bear-

ing interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, and secured by mortgage, made by the corporation of St. Paul's Church, Cleveland, \$2,000.

2. Eight notes of \$1,000 each, made by the donor of the fund, and bearing 6 per cent. interest per annum, payable semi-annually; and secured by an hypothecation of 80 shares of \$100 each, in the capital stock of the Commercial Exchange Bank, in the City of New York, \$8,000. The annual income from this investment is \$640.

The committee are uninformed when the principal of the notes just mentioned is to be paid, but respectfully suggest, that when the same shall become due, it will be well that an effort be made to obtain a higher rate of interest; and to secure the investment by lien on real estate of double the amount, without regard to improvements.

III. The Scholarship Fund, \$11,686.37.

This fund arises from sundry individual subscriptions, entitling the parties to send students free from the charge for tuition.

Of these subscriptions, a part has been paid and the balance remains upon what are called "Subscription notes."

The amount paid has been invested as follows, viz:

In the bonds of Knox County, O., bearing 6 per cent. interest, and purchased for \$1,287.50.....	1,400 00
In bonds of the Ohio Medical College, at Cincinnati, bearing 10 per cent. interest.....	2,700 00
Individual bond and mortgage, at 7 per cent.....	1,250 00
Cash on hand.....	103 54

The "Subscription notes," represented as bearing 6 per cent. interest, amount, together, to the sum of \$6,345.33; and with the investments make \$11,686.37, the aggregate "Scholarship fund."

The committee do not presume to question the security of this fund—of the "Subscription notes," indeed, they know nothing.

The rate of interest on the Knox county bonds being only 6 per cent., the committee think it an unfortunate investment, especially if subject to taxation.

The bonds of the Medical College are represented to the committee as secured, part of them by a *first* and the balance by a *second* mortgage lien; and also by some pledge of Professors' fees. The interest, thus far, it is said, has been punctually paid. The committee hope that this investment may prove to be a reliable portion of the fund, and from inquiry believe it is so, but fear it is not wholly free from doubt.

The unpaid portion of this "Scholarship Fund" is secured by the separate note of each subscriber, for the amount of his subscription, amounting in the aggregate to \$6,345.33, stated by Dr. Wing, the Treasurer and Agent, as bearing interest at the rate of 6 per cent.

This part of the fund is subject to all the vicissitudes and changes incident to the business affairs of life. The continued trouble, too, of collecting small amounts, in different parts of the State, is quite a serious difficulty, and ought to be remedied.

The committee respectfully submit the suggestion, that all these "Subscription notes" should be collected so soon as the same can be

done consistently with the engagements of the parties concerned, and the amount united in one or two loans, at the best rate of interest authorized by law; and amply secured by bond and mortgage on real estate.

IV. The Hannah More Scholarship Fund, \$2,175.

The name and character of Hannah More must be familiar to every member of this Convention, and it is honorable to the institutions at Gambier to have her memory associated with them. This fund originated in a token of kind regard, found in her will. The original bequest was about \$1215, which remained in the hands of Mr. Ewbank, of London, until, with accruing interest, it amounted to \$2175; which has been received by the Trustees, and is stated, by the Agent and Treasurer, to be invested in individual loans, on bond and mortgage, at 9 or 10 per cent. interest per annum.

V. The Charles D. Betts Library Fund, \$1,000.

Mr. Betts, of New York, in his last will, left one thousand dollars, at the discretionary disposal—for some Christian purpose—of the Rev. Henry Anthon, D.D., of New York, who founded thereby the above fund. The use to which it is directed to be applied is as follows, to wit: To be invested by the Faculty of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio in safe securities, and the interest only used in the purchase of books for the Library of the Theological Seminary, under the direction of the Faculty of the same.

It is understood that the investment has been made on bond and mortgage, on real estate in Cincinnati, at an interest of ten per cent. per annum.

VI. Proceeds of sales of Real Estate*—amount reported by Trustees, \$61,635.68.

Mr. Wing now reports total of all sales, including sales since the report	\$64,018 38
Deduct collections on above sales	33,867 12
Balance remaining unpaid.....	<u><u>\$30,151 26</u></u>

The amount collected has been applied as follows:

1. In payment of debts and expenses	\$20,968 83
2. Subscription for stock in Mt. Vernon and Loudenville Railroad	2,798 00
3. Loans to individuals.....	10,100 29
	<u><u>\$33,867 12</u></u>

* Two sections of land, containing 4000 acres each, were purchased by Bishop Chase, for the aggregate price of \$18,000.

The Convention which met at Columbus in June, 1826, approved of the purchase, and resolved to establish the Seminary and College thereon.

The corner-stone was laid by Bishop Chase the same year, the site being selected on what is now known as the south section.

The other, or north section, was sold by the Trustees, with the advice of the Convention—in 1832, and the balance in 1837—the aggregate sale amounting to \$22,500.

The present report relates only to the sale of parts of the south section.

The balance yet due on real estate sales bears interest as follows: \$30,151.26, at 6 per cent.....	\$1,809 07
The annual interest, as stated by Mr. Wing, on the amount loaned, say \$10,100.29.....	895 00
Total annual interest on land sales.....	<u>\$2,704 07</u>

It will be observed that, in this computation of interest, the amount derived from the sales of the real estate, and invested in railroad stock, is excluded.

The committee are informed by Mr. Wing, that the Board of Trustees authorized him, at his discretion, to subscribe to the capital stock of any company, constructing the railroad from Mount Vernon via Gambier to Loudenville, such sum as he might deem expedient, not exceeding \$5000; and that he subscribed \$3000, of which he has paid \$2798, and the balance remains to be paid.

The committee have made some inquiry as to this railroad, and learn that it is in an unfinished state, paying no dividend, and with a dark prospect for the future. The amount thus withdrawn from the resources of these institutions necessarily impairs their income, at a time, too, when they owe debts, and with great difficulty can meet their current expenses.

The committee entertain some fear that this investment may be partially, if not entirely, lost; and would advise a sale of the stock, even at half its cost, if it can be had.

The committee are informed that, in some instances, the notes for the payment of real estate sold, have matured, but, for the convenience of the debtor, are suffered to lie over on some arrangement as to interest. It is respectfully submitted, that this tends to delay the benefits of any system of investment, and may be productive of some inconvenient irregularity in the payment of the debts.

In relation to the loans made of the funds derived from the sales of the real estate, the committee suggest that, in their opinion, this fund, and all other money within the control of the institutions at Gambier, can be safely lent at an interest of 10 per cent. per annum. The law of Ohio authorizes this rate of interest; and the wants of the Seminary and College certainly call for whatever addition to their income their resources will command. It will be a far more convenient system to make such loans in *large* in preference to *small* amounts, which multiply accounts, and often create much additional trouble and labor.

The committee do not doubt it is the sincere wish, as well of the Board of Trustees as of the Convention, permanently to secure the remaining proceeds of the sales of the landed endowment of these institutions, and so to invest the same as to produce the largest income.

VII. Rents	\$1243 25
These accrue as follows:	
On 425 acres of land.....	\$531 25
On 12 acres with water privileges.....	170 00
On sundry houses and lots in Gambier	542 00
	<u>\$1243 25</u>

The rent on the 425 acres of land seems to be very moderate, and the committee suppose it will be increased.

The Grammar School edifice, known as "Milnor Hall," but now rented as a boarding house, it is thought will be soon needed for its original purpose; and the rent, so far as derived from that source (\$225), will be reduced.

VIII. Tuition Fees and Room Rent.

Derived from 28 students, for tuition	\$640 00
56 do. room rent.....	448 00
	———— \$1088 00

The committee cherish a confident hope, that the growing patronage of these institutions will increase these items of income.

IX. Legacy of Mrs. Isabella Davis—Fund, \$510.

A few years ago, an honored Christian domestic, who had resided many years, as she died, in the family of Bishop McIlvaine, bequeathed the sum of \$510 to the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio, to be specifically appropriated as Bishop McIlvaine should direct. The legacy has been paid to the Treasurer of the Theological Seminary, who has invested it in a bond of the Ohio Medical College, at Cincinnati, bearing 10 per cent. interest per annum—being the same class of security on which the committee expressed their opinion, when reviewing the Scholarship Fund. The annual interest on this fund is, for the present, appropriated, under the Bishop's direction, to the making up the salary of the Milnor Professorship of Divinity.

X. Miscellaneous Debts. These may be thus classed—

Bills receivable	\$450 00
Notes for land sold in Union county.....	525 00
	———— \$975 00
Ledger Balances, to wit:	
1st. Debts for rents, &c.....	1325 13
2d. Debts for tuition, &c.	610 49
	———— 1935 62
	———— \$2910 62

The interest accruing on this item, as stated by Mr. Wing, is, on the sum of \$975, at 6 per cent., \$48.50. The Ledger Balances are stated to be numerous unsettled accounts with tenants and students.

These balances, thus due for rent and tuition, amount, in the aggregate, to a considerable sum of money. How long they have been outstanding, the committee are uninformed; but where such accounts are suffered to continue open and unpaid, there is always a strong probability of ultimate loss. To avoid this, prompt settlements should always be had, and payment made or secured without too long delay.

The committee have thus reviewed all the funds and resources of these institutions, so far as they are relied on for income.

In connection with this subject, the annual expenditures of these in-

stitutions should be carefully considered; otherwise the fountain of supply may be exhausted, and embarrassment, if not ruin, follow.

The items of these expenditures have been already stated; and, on reviewing them, the committee do not think that the amount will be reduced; but, on the contrary, it may be justly feared that the estimate for taxes, if not for repairs, will be greatly increased.

The utmost economy becomes necessary in every thing connected with the fiscal concerns of these institutions; and immediate measures should be adopted to collect all debts due, and to increase the income by a more advantageous investment.

It will be observed that the expenditures exceed the income by, say \$195.26; and any failure or contingency may increase this deficiency. This renders it the more necessary to look to this matter now without delay, and escape the probability of an inconvenient surprise, and a recurrence of debt and embarrassment. The principal debt which the institutions still owe, is that due to the "Lorillard Fund," so called; being a bequest made by the late Mr. Lorillard, of New York, to the present Bishop of Ohio, in trust, for the benefit of superannuated clergymen of the Diocese. The amount of this debt is \$5,761.32, and it bears interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per annum. In addition to this, Dr. Wing reports, under the head of "deposits," a debt due to individuals, the amount of which is \$1125, bearing 6 per cent. interest.

The committee respectfully submit that these debts should all be paid as promptly as possible, and the future creation of such liabilities carefully avoided.

The committee will now consider the 5th and 6th heads of the report of the Board of Trustees—the one relating to the "contributions" to the Institution, the other to the "cost of buildings."

The report alleges that no account of "donations," or of the "cost of buildings," whilst Bishop Chase had the charge of these institutions, can be found; and adds, that, "were it practicable to state an account of the receipts and disbursements during the early years of the Institution, no useful purpose would be subserved by the exhibit."

The Trustees were requested, by the resolution of the Convention, to report, as far as it was practicable to do so, a true "statement of all contributions" and the "total cost of all buildings and substantial improvements." Nothing beyond this, and the words "as far as it is practicable to do so," should be noted in this connection. The committee presume that if the Trustees had been in possession of the information sought for by the resolutions, they would not have hesitated to comply with the request of the Convention.

What is the relation existing between the Convention of the Church in this Diocese and the institutions at Gambier? Under what authority was the landed endowment purchased, and the corner-stone of Kenyon College first laid? By what authority, and at whose instance, was the act incorporating this College and Seminary obtained? By whom are the Trustees appointed? Are not these institutions, in effect, the property of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese? Is not the Convention intimately connected with, and accountable for, their faithful management? Are not the Trustees acting as the stewards of the

Convention in this great matter? The committee, with entire respect, suppose that the Convention has such an intimate connection with these institutions, and so much responsibility therefor, as may well entitle that body, at all times, to call respectfully upon the Trustees for any information which the Convention may judge proper, touching the business, situation or condition of these institutions; and of the usefulness of the call, surely the Convention may judge.

There has been some difference of opinion among us as to the nature of this right, on the part of the Convention; but the question whether it be a legal right or a moral right, will be found, practically, as we think, to be of little moment in the future history of Gambier.

A new and important event had now taken place; a large part of the landed endowment had been sold, and there seemed to be not only a propriety, but a necessity, on the part of the Convention, to ask for full and accurate information in the premises. Rarely, if ever, had the Trustees made report; and the Journal of the Convention seldom afforded such information of the general financial condition of these institutions as might occasionally be justly hoped to be found there. Such reports had not been called for, and they were not made. Therein, the committee think, the Convention has omitted an important duty, which, had it been regularly performed, might have had a most salutary influence. But a commencement has now been made, and if periodically repeated, the committee believe it will essentially aid in the prosperity and perpetuity of these institutions. The present inquiry was designed to get some starting point—to give some account of the original cost—the source from whence the funds were derived—and, for the future, to aid in the creation and adoption of a sound and prudent plan of investment, as well as inculcate a just economy.

There are passages in the report, from which it might be inferred that the Trustees supposed the resolutions of the Convention involved a question of good faith and prudence, in relation to these contributions and expenditures. It has already been stated by the committee, that no such motive prompted the call on the Trustees. The contributions or donations were made to the first Bishop of Ohio, the good, the venerated Bishop Chase, and afterwards to his successor, the present eminent and excellent Bishop of the Diocese.

These faithful and laborious servants of God, in due time, severally submitted accounts of these donations and expenditures, so far as they were connected therewith; and the same were regularly examined, approved, and accepted by the board.

The report of the board now exhibits the principal heads, and the aggregate of donations, made through Bishop McIlvaine; and the committee feel perfect assurance, that it is in all respects accurate. But the Trustees say in their report, "no complete account of such donations is to be found prior to the resignation of the late Bishop Chase," and they "presume none has ever been furnished." It is also suggested in the report, that if such an exhibit of the early receipts and disbursements could be had, "perhaps many of the expenditures, singly considered, would appear disproportioned to the beneficial results obtained." "It might be thought that exorbitant prices were paid for quar-

rying stone, erecting buildings and clearing land;" and "that the most rigid and calculating economy was not always practiced"—"that a more wise and prudent general system might have been adopted"—that "the greatness of the undertaking afforded no apology for wasting the money contributed;" and "does not exempt those to whom the funds were entrusted, from a strict account of their trust."

All these suggestions are made in the report in connection with the allegation that Bishop Chase had not, so far as they could discover, furnished any account of receipts or expenditures, so as to enable the Trustees to state an exact account of the cost of the buildings and the improvements.

The report admits, "that it is no where intimated that the contributions were perverted or wantonly wasted,"—and also declares, that the Trustees do not mean "to cast any reflections upon the management of the affairs of the Institution, while it was under the care of Bishop Chase."

It will be observed that no accounts in detail were called for, whether of donations or expenditures. If such requisition was made, the report of the Trustees does not meet it, in the case of either of the Bishops. The Trustees seem to suppose that if an accurate exhibit in detail could be had, a question at this late day might possibly arise in the minds of some, whether the most rigid economy had in all cases been practiced in the difficult labor of clearing the forest and erecting buildings at Gambier. The Trustees intended in this no reflection upon Bishop Chase, and the answer suggested by them to such a possible question might be deemed sufficient; but one still more satisfactory may be found in the Bishop's own words.

The committee propose to give Bishop Chase's own answer to these suggestions. In his annual address to the Convention, held at Gambier in 1829, he says: "The accounts of our Institution have been examined and brought up to the month of March last, to the no small satisfaction of all who felt a laudable anxiety in our welfare; by which it appears, that the cost of the College, when taken separate from that of our mills, the building of the Professor's house, the printing office, the village dwellings, &c., has been *less than one half the sum it would have cost by contract, had the same been farmed out at the usual prices.* If this should seem extravagant, take the printed account of our expenditures in your hand, and go from this, the basement story of our building, through all the intermediate, strong and well finished rooms and passages, till your eye meets the roof, with its massive and thickly clustering timbers, and its well supported and lofty steeple, and then judge, if *half the usual cost be noticed.*"

To whom, and where, and when was this said? To the Convention of the Church, assembled at Gambier, in September, 1829, simultaneously with the finishing of the work alluded to.

And they were challenged to inspect the buildings, and judge if the whole great work had not been done for *one half less than its usual cost!*

To this add the other fact, stated in the address of the Bishop, that *his accounts had been examined and brought up to the first of March*

preceding, to the no small satisfaction of all who felt a laudable anxiety in the welfare of these institutions!

To whom are those accounts regularly and properly to be submitted by the Bishop?

It may be safely answered, to the Board of Trustees, who alone have power to examine and sanction the same. Has this been done in the case of both Bishops—as well by Bishop Chase, as by Bishop McIlvaine? It has; and it would be a grave omission of duty if it had not been; reflecting as well on the Board of Trustees as on the Bishops.

The committee, supposing the Trustees were mistaken in suggesting the presumption that Bishop Chase had not furnished his accounts of donations, investigated the matter when at Gambier.

On examining the Journal of the Board of Trustees, the committee found, and now report the same to the Convention, that by the proceedings there recorded for a series of years, embracing the entire connection of Bishop Chase with Gambier and its institutions, there was a periodical submission of his accounts; a reference of the same to committees, for examination; and a final acceptance and confirmation by the Board. The Bishop was then acting as the financial agent of the Board, and in nearly every instance he was found to be in advance, and a balance actually due to him. On one occasion he resigned the trust, after his accounts were examined and adjusted; but at the urgent solicitation of the Board, consented to resume it again. And finally, when, in 1831, he resigned the sacred charge of the Diocese, on a re-examination of all his accounts a large balance was found in his favor, which was not refunded to him for a considerable time thereafter.

The committee have also found, annexed to the Journal of the Convention, printed in 1829, a list of subscribers in Ohio and their donations; also a like list of those in the other States; and an account of Bishop Chase's receipts and expenditures up to 1st March, 1829.

It is known that the donations in England were placed in the hands of Trustees, to await certain conditions; and that a large part of these were used in the purchase of the 8000 acres of land, including the site of the College.

The details of all these accounts must have been examined by the Board of Trustees, or their committees, and regularly ought to be found on their files. The committee, however, can well conceive how, by lapse of time and an idea that they were not of any value, such papers might be lost or destroyed.

But, fortunately, the important fact that the good and faithful Bishop did "give an account of his stewardship," is found where it should be—on the Journal of the Board of Trustees.

Bishop Chase may justly be called the Father of the Church in Ohio—indeed, in the great West; and he is, emphatically, the sole originator, and, under God's providence, the founder of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College; the corner-stone being also laid by his own hands. This, as connected with the purpose of educating and "sending forth laborers into the Lord's harvest," was the great measure of Bishop Chase's life. It was commenced under many serious obstacles; and almost literally did he "go forth," providing "neither gold, nor silver,

nor brass, in his purse, nor scrip for his journey." His great energy and indomitable perseverance yielded to no discouragement, but pressed forward where others doubted, faltered, and even disappeared. "*Fidus et audax*,"—he was full of faith and friendship in his Master's cause. "*Dominus providebit*" was his motto; and he was not disappointed.

But he is gone—and how impressive and beautiful is the announcement of that event by his successor, the present justly distinguished and eminent prelate of the Church—our own Bishop—in his last annual address. The committee think it not only appropriate, but of great value, in this connection. "*Laudato a viro laudati.*"

In that address, our Bishop says: "There has gone to his rest, a venerable Father, whom for his eminent services to this Diocese in particular, as well as for the position he held for so many years as a most faithful and laborious minister of Christ and Bishop in his Church, it is our special duty and happiness to remember and honor. The name of Bishop Chase can never be forgotten in Ohio, nor cease to be regarded with affection and respect, so long as there remains among us a just appreciation of those many and vigorous attributes of personal character which so signally marked his whole official life. His monument among us is Kenyon College—with all the history around it, of the enterprize, and sacrifices, and toils, and trials, and difficulties, with which its founder commenced and carried forward that Institution. It will not be long before the last of those who were personal witnesses of what he did and overcame in that enterprise will have passed away—nor before the aspect of Ohio will have become so changed, by progressive and rapid improvement, that it will be very difficult for a new generation to form a just conception of what Bishop Chase undertook, when he set himself to the establishment of Kenyon College in the locality selected; and what he accomplished so long as he remained in Ohio, to carry forward that enterprise. Difference of opinion as to the wisdom of some details of his plans, is no detraction from his merited praise for great purity of motive, a single desire in all things to build up the Church of Christ, a large heart to devise, and a most unconquerable energy to execute, schemes for the glory of God and the salvation of men."

"He has left more monuments than one. We speak particularly of Ohio. His memory lives in the hearts of many in this Diocese, who personally knew him when he was their Bishop, or who shared the benefits of his ministrations. Their number is fast decreasing; but they will always love to remember and tell of the simple manners, the tender, affectionate spirit, so peculiarly his attribute, the unwearied diligence with which, amidst the hardships and toils of his visitations, he went in and out among them, and from house to house."

Almost simultaneously with this tribute of respect, an equally beautiful allusion to the same sad event is found in the address of the Bishop of Georgia, to his Convention. It is in these words:—"The news reached us of the death, on the 20th of September, of our venerable Father and Presiding Bishop, Philander Chase, that toilsome, way-worn soldier of the Cross, who was perpetually laboring while others entered into his labor; who was incessantly sowing, while others reaped the fruits of his toil; who was ever moving westward with the

wave of emigration, having no where, at times, to lay his head ; no rest for the soles of his feet. But he knew, when he commenced his work, what were the wages of a Christian hero ; and THAT he looked for—that he reaped, in rich abundance. God permitted him to see, ere yet his eye was dim, or his natural strength abated, the fruits of his ministry, extending, like a bright arch, from the Atlantic to the Mississippi. If, joining him as he leaves, a half century ago, his native land, a solitary missionary, with his staff in his hand, pointing forward, with prophetic foresight, to the wilderness of the west, we now stand upon that distant hill which he made his final rest, the Pisgah of his age, and look out upon the Ministers, the Churches, the Dioceses, the Bishops, which lie, in unbroken continuity and in spiritual prosperity, between us and the waters whence he started, we feel that he might well call it the Hill of Jubilee, and, taking up the strain of the Patriarch, say, ‘ With my staff passed I over this Jordan, and now am I become two bands.’ Mercies surrounded him in his old age—the truth of God followed him to his grave. He went forth ‘ sowing beside all waters, often in tears, and he lived to come again rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him.’ From the Hudson to the vine-clad hills of Ohio—from the Lakes to the deep jungles of Louisiana, he bore precious seed ; and those powerful States which extend athwart the continent, all bear the tracks of his footstep, are all fragrant with the divine riches which he imparted to them. He lived to see every thing his hand had touched prospering—his sons and his sons’ sons, serving the Lord—his Diocese spreading itself like a cedar in Lebanon—his successor, a man after his own heart, consecrated and established ; and died surrounded by all those he loved best, in his own home, among his own children, looking out upon the broad land which he had consecrated to Christ, through prayer and toil and suffering, the acknowledged instrument of more good than almost any other man the Church has produced.”

The committee, whilst discussing matters connected with the early history of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, as associated with the memory of Bishop Chase, deemed it appropriate, here, to record these just tributes of respect, from high and distinguished sources in the Church ; and, it is believed, a sanction will be found for it in the hearts of the Convention.

Second. The second head of inquiry now claims attention—the plan proposed or adopted by the Board of Trustees for investing the funds of the institutions, and the opinion of the committee thereon.

A copy of the proceedings and order of the Board of Trustees on this subject, was promptly furnished by the Rev. Dr. Wing, Agent and Treasurer, who on all occasions manifested a ready desire to facilitate every investigation or inquiry proposed by the committee. The proceedings and order alluded to, are in the following words :

“ At a meeting of the Board, held at Gambier, August 2d, 1853, the committee to whom the subject was referred made the following report, through Mr. Curtis :—

“ If the funds are invested in bonds and mortgages, very considerable expense will be incurred in the examination of titles, the execution of proper instruments, seeing to the payment of taxes, or that the mortgagor pay them, and reinvesting and collecting the principal, when due.

In proportion to the rate of interest, will be the hazard of loss. We think the fund should be invested in such a manner, as to require as little detail, watchfulness and change as possible—looking always to the safety of the principal, and punctual payment of the interest.

"We believe that county bonds can be procured at such rates as to make an investment in them preferable to bonds and mortgages. We are also of the opinion, that safe and profitable investments in ground rents, can be made in the city of Cincinnati. We recommend that the funds be invested in county bonds and ground rents, or such other public bonds or securities, equally safe, as may be obtained in the market—temporary loans, on bond and mortgage, being resorted to only until more permanent investments can be had.

"On motion, this report was adopted."

It is thus seen, that the Trustees propose to invest in county bonds and ground rents, or other public bonds or securities equally safe. The committee will now consider these classes of investment, in the order named.

1. COUNTY BONDS.—However safe county bonds may be considered, experience has shown, in many instances, a want of punctuality in their payment. It is well known that, in the past history of Ohio, some of the counties have been unable, or unwilling, to meet their debts; which, consequently, have been often at a large discount. In more than one instance, such bonds have been issued after a high state of controversy, involving a good deal of feeling among the voters. In a time of burdensome taxation, that same spirit will be likely, sometimes, to enter into the election of county commissioners, and perhaps bring about a refusal to levy the needful tax. This would at once defeat punctual payment, and leave the bondholder to the necessity of resorting to the courts for a writ of mandamus, or other compulsory process, often tedious, and, in times of high party feeling, of doubtful result.

Under the considerations just stated, the committee do not think investments of the funds should be made in county bonds.

2. As to the proposed investment in "ground rent." The committee understand "ground rent" to be a rent charged upon real estate for a term of years; or for a term of years, renewable forever. The owner of such a rent—the party owning the fee of the leased premises—sometimes sells this fee or rent charge; and the committee suppose this to be the security to which the Trustees allude, in their proposed investment in ground rents.

In making such investment, many inquiries have to be made; they are obvious, and need not be specified. If they are all satisfactorily answered, and the rent charged and payable at fixed periods be equal to 9 or 10 per cent. per annum on the amount invested in the purchase, the committee think the investment would be a good one. But there are many ground rents which present no inducement for an investment; each case, therefore, must be decided on its own merits, after full and careful inquiry.

3. The third plan of investment, as proposed by the Trustees, is in "public bonds or securities, equally as safe as county bonds or ground rents."

This is too indefinite and general to be considered a safe, or, indeed,

any rule of action. The committee have great fear that it will be found a hazardous investment, if made in many of the public bonds or securities, even if they should be thought at the time as safe as county bonds or ground rents.

The committee, with great deference, but without hesitation, consider this an unsafe mode of investment, and advise against it accordingly.

Two things are to be thought of, in an investment of money for income, especially trust funds, the interest of which is absolutely necessary to meet annual expenses: 1st, The safety of the investment; and 2nd, punctuality in the payment of the interest.

The endowment of the institutions at Gambier was chiefly in real estate—always deemed permanent in its security; and thus compensating for some difference in income, when compared with other investments. The great part of that endowment has been sold, and the proceeds already reduced twenty thousand dollars and upwards, by the payment of debts; and the committee fear a still further reduction of three thousand dollars, by loss of the railroad stock subscription, before mentioned.

The remaining balance should be kept sacred, and safely invested; guarding against further reduction, and securing the principal and the punctual payment of the best legal rate of interest to be had.

The committee here beg leave respectfully to recall attention to the fact, that the *income* is, at this time, *inadequate* to the *expenditures*; and that there is strong reason to apprehend that this deficiency will be materially increased, unless otherwise provided for.

In this relation too, it is proper to say, that the edifice known as "Bexley Hall"—being the Theological Seminary building—is still in an unfinished state; and will require at least \$1,500 to complete it. Something must be done to secure an addition to the principal funds, and especially to increase the income and prevent any further reduction of this sacred endowment.

The generous friends of the Church and of learning every where, are invoked to bear this in mind; and the widow's mite may be cast into this same treasury, and do great good.

The law of Ohio authorizes any rate of interest for which the parties may contract, not exceeding 10 per cent. per annum. The committee are of opinion that safe and punctual men can be found who will borrow these funds for a term of years, at an interest of probably 10 per cent. per annum; and by way of security, in addition to their own personal bond, will give a mortgage on real estate, productive and saleable, and in value double the amount of the loan, exclusive of perishable improvements. The titles in all cases should be examined by counsel; and the abstracts of title, with the certificates of counsel, should be kept with the vouchers. All these examinations, and every other needful inquiry in the premises, if need be, can be made at the charge of the borrower. The loan should be made for the longest term that any good and punctual borrower would take it at, with such security as before mentioned; and the moneys should be lent in *large* sums, of five or ten thousand dollars, in preference to *small* loans.

The committee note the objections of the Trustees to investments in bond and mortgage; and respectfully submit that every reason assigned

by the Trustees, against investments in bond and mortgage, is equally applicable to the investment in *ground rents*, which the Trustees, in their order, sanction and adopt.

The committee are confident that such loans on bond and mortgage could be made entirely safe, and free from charge to the lender—and that no serious difficulty would attend them.

The plan of investment on bond and mortgage, the committee greatly prefer to the purchase of "county bonds" or other public bonds or securities equally safe; and it is submitted for consideration accordingly.

If adopted early and carried out thoroughly, thus investing, as soon as it can be done, all the funds of these institutions, which should now be called in or collected as soon as possible, the committee think it would save the fund from loss, and secure the payment of the interest punctually—so essential in meeting the annual expenses of these institutions.

The committee know of no other investment that will be safer, nor any other so profitable, under all changes of agents and administrations.

It may be well here to recapitulate the entire resources, real and personal, now owned by the institutions at Gambier:

1. **REAL ESTATE.**—This is reported to the committee as consisting of 1560 acres of land—of this a large part, say 1260 acres, is mostly upland, in timber, but said to be tillable if cleared; the balance, 300 acres, cleared, and one half of it stated to be medium bottom land.

2. "**COLLEGE RESERVE**"—460 acres, including all the buildings of the College and Seminary; and all the lots and real estate incident to the same, in the village of Gambier.

This "College Reserve" originally contained 613½ acres; and has been reduced by a sale of lots, containing together 151¾ acres.

PERSONAL ESTATE.

1. The Milnor Professorship Fund.....	\$7,678 14
2. The Griswold do do.....	10,000 00
3. The Scholarship do.....	11,686 37
4. The Hannah More do.....	2,175 00
5. The Charles D. Betts Library do.....	1,000 00
6. Balance of proceeds of sales of real estate, collected and invested as follows:	
In Mt. Vernon & Loudenville R. R. Stock.....	2,798 00
In loans on bond and mortgage.....	10,100 29
7. Balance yet unpaid on sales of real estate.....	30,151 26
8. Legacy of Mrs. Isabella Davis.....	510 00
9. Miscellaneous debts.....	2,910 62

\$79,009 68

From this deduct the following debts due from the College and Seminary, viz:

To the Lorillard Fund.....	\$5,761 32
To Waugh & Washington.....	1,125 00
To old issue Scholarship scrip.....	320 00
Interest now due.....	65 00
To balance on Railroad Subscription.....	202 00 — \$7,473 32

Balance, or total resources..... \$71,536 86

It is proper to remark, that a valuable Library and some Philosophical Apparatus might be added ; but the committee deem it unnecessary in this recapitulation. The committee have already expressed their views, in detail, of these funds and resources, as may be seen in the preceding pages of this report. In concluding their remarks on this head, the committee beg leave respectfully to say, that they are deeply impressed with the necessity of great prudence, care and judgment in the management of this concern. An energetic and experienced practical agent should be employed, who should devote himself exclusively to the management of this great trust. The committee do not, in the most remote manner, intend to reflect on the present or past agency or administration of these affairs. But it is believed that a new state of things has now occurred at Gambier, which renders it absolutely necessary to invoke peculiar energy and sound practical experience in the direction and management of the varied, large and important property and money concerns, in which the College and Seminary have such vital interest. It is a crisis of grave importance, involving the prosperity of these institutions, the good name of the Convention, and the welfare of our Church. The committee respectfully submit the subject to the consideration of the Convention.

Third. The third and last inquiry remains to be considered: the state and condition of the institutions, and the expediency of further action on the part of the Convention.

It is a painful fact, but it cannot be evaded, that, from some cause, or perhaps a combination of causes, the patronage of Kenyon College gradually diminished, for several years, until finally, in 1853, the whole number of College and Grammar School students did not exceed seventy-nine.

With this falling off of patronage, it was also manifest to those who visited Gambier in the summer of 1853, that things were in a very sad and dilapidated condition about the College building, its grounds and police. The committee do not mean to even conjecture how this was brought about, or to impute blame to any one for it. They feel less necessity for such an inquiry, since, in their recent visit to Gambier, they were truly gratified with what seemed to the committee an entire renovation and revolution in the condition of the College. It was, as already observed, in a sad and dilapidated condition in the summer of 1853 — and it is flourishing and full of promise in 1854.

During the past session there were nine students in the Theological Seminary. The committee inspected the building — "Bexley Hall" — and found about one half of the rooms finished. It will require, as heretofore observed, at least \$1500 to complete the others. Apart from the unfinished state of the building, the appearance of things in and around Bexley Hall was neat and appropriate. The beautiful locality uniformly attracts admiration ; and the edifice itself, in its architecture and arrangement, is at once highly ornamental and convenient. There is attached to it a fine Theological Library ; and, with Professorships well filled, it is hoped that, under God's Providence, each successive year an increased number of laborers may go forth from this Seminary into the Lord's Harvest.

The committee also inspected the College edifice, and found much had been done to renovate and put all the rooms and apartments in neat and comfortable condition. The work was still progressing, it being contemplated to place the whole building and surrounding grounds in good, if not perfect, order. A proper discipline and strict police regulations are instituted and carefully enjoined. Two well selected and beautiful Libraries, founded by the two Societies instituted in the past history of Kenyon College, and added to and sustained by the members, from year to year, attest the fine taste of the students and their zeal in the cause of learning. The committee were politely invited, by the young gentlemen having the same in charge, to visit these Libraries; and they were both found to be very handsomely arranged, and kept in fine order. The number of students, during the last session of the College, was forty-one; and in the Grammar School, thirty-three. The committee hope and believe these numbers will soon be largely increased.

A gentleman, in whom we all have entire confidence, has recently been appointed President of Kenyon College. The brief period of his presence at Kenyon is already marked by the happiest effects; and aided, as he now is, by an able corps of Professors and Instructors, in all the branches of collegiate learning, scarcely a doubt remains of the returning, and ultimately great, prosperity of the Institution. But to make this the more certain, there must be a zealous and watchful co-operation of the Convention of the Diocese and the friends of the Church everywhere, but especially throughout Ohio, with the Board of Trustees. Let it be understood, that a report exhibiting the property, financial condition, and general state and prospect of the Seminary and College, will be regularly made by the Trustees to the Convention, at each annual session; and that the Convention will give the same respectful and careful consideration, and take such order thereon as will justly aid the Trustees in elevating those institutions in public favor, and best promote their prosperity. Let every friend of the Church and of learning consider it his duty to say and do whatever he can, justly, to bring the Seminary and College into favorable notice and high consideration. We must all, cheerfully and heartily, lend our energies, individually and collectively. Uniting zealously in this good and great work, and looking to our Heavenly Father for his blessing, we may confidently hope for a propitious result.

“Blest is the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love;
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.”

“Before our Father’s throne
We pour united prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one;
Our comforts and our cares.”

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. KEY BOND,
JOHN W. ANDREWS,
HENRY B. WALLBRIDGE, } Committee.

On motion, by Rev. Mr. McElroy, the above report was received and laid on the table for the present, for the purpose of hearing and referring other reports to appropriate committees.

Rev. G. W. DuBois, from the special committee on that portion of the Bishop's Address which refers to the education of young men for the ministry, presented the following report, which was accepted, and the resolution adopted:

The committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address in which it is recommended that more earnest and practical effort be made to increase the number of candidates for the Sacred Ministry, and to call out and furnish for this work a more adequate supply of faithful, self-denying men, would respectfully submit the following report:

That in view of the numerous losses which this Diocese has recently sustained, in the removal of many active, devoted parish ministers, through the operation of still existing causes, as distinctly set forth in that Address; in view of the fact, that notwithstanding accessions by ordination and transfer, still the aggregate number of parish clergymen has actually diminished, even while the call for laborers comes to us from every quarter, and a rapidly increasing population demands a proportionate extension of the Church; that in view of these things, the subject referred to this committee is, at this time especially, one of vast importance.

Your committee, realizing this, and fully appreciating the difficulties which the subject involves, have given it their careful and prayerful consideration.

They would urge upon their brethren a more distinct recognition of their duty to labor for the *extension* and *perpetuation* of the Church, by pointedly directing the minds of young men in their parishes to the sacred ministry, by setting before them their duty as Christians, more especially in the present exigency, of offering up upon the altar of their faith, their time, their talents and their energies, to be devoted and consecrated, without reserve, to the service of their Master in the self-denying duties of the gospel ministry.

They would urge it upon their brethren, to regard it quite as legitimately incumbent upon them, in the fulfillment of their solemn responsibilities, to endeavor to make their young converts treasure-bearers to others of the precious Gospel, as it is incumbent upon themselves to be faithful dispensers of the word and sacraments. That it as strictly appertains to them, that it is as much their bounden duty, to call upon men to give themselves to the work of the christian ministry, as it is to call sinners to repentance and faith in Christ.

Your committee have hardly a doubt, that if the clergy of the Di-

ocean would, in dependence upon God, labor more directly to this end, and in their public teaching and private exhortations give this matter, so vitally important to the growth and prosperity of the Church, a prominent bearing, that every parish would immediately furnish a proportionate number of fit persons as candidates for holy orders. Our parishes would then become the sources from whence would flow streams to make glad the city of our God.

Still further, your committee would have this subject regarded in its relations and connections with the Diocesan Institutions at Gambier. These must necessarily be our main dependence. In their behalf we must enlist the sympathies and interest of the Diocese at large, and secure for them that confidence and support they so well deserve. Here it is that our young men, as candidates for the ministry, are to receive that intellectual equipment and spiritual improvement which will render them efficient and faithful, as messengers, watchmen and stewards of the Lord. Here it is, we trust, that, under prayerful and assiduous culture, good impulses in the hearts of the young will be cherished, and a proper direction given to divinely inspired resolutions of self-consecration to the service of Christ. In this way these institutions have a direct relation to, and bearing upon, the great work of furnishing as well as preparing young men for the ministry. In endeavoring to promote their prosperity, and to secure to their several departments a large number of students, we will be laboring indirectly but effectually to meet the present great want of the Church, and to fill up the now decimated ranks of its clergy. We are confident that there is not an officer connected with those institutions who does not regard it as the great end of his labors to promote the increase and welfare of the Church, and the spiritual as well as intellectual advancement of those entrusted to his care.

In addition to the present existing institutions at Gambier, could there be established, apart from the rest, a school, with a small territorial endowment, for the gratuitous support, clothing and education, *ab initio*, of children, the Church would possess in such an establishment a source of strength, influence and increase; a school limited in the number of its pupils, and, by means of a careful selection and wise discipline, kept free from all evil influences; a school in which boys, of unusual talent and application, could be carefully instructed, and brought up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord—in the hope and expectation that, with God's blessing, many of them would become chosen and distinguished instruments in promoting his gracious designs; a school into which the parish clergyman might secure admission for some one conspicuously promising boy of his Sunday School, who, by reason of his social position and the pecuniary inability of his parents, would otherwise find no more useful field for the employment of his energies and abilities than the farm or the workshop; a school in which native talent of the highest order might be cultivated, and its possessor accustomed to the refinements of life and the usages of polite society; thus thoroughly furnished in all outward things for the work of evangelists, in the confident hope that the more necessary inward qualification would not be withheld.

It would be digressing too far from the main scope of this report, to enter more particularly into the advocacy or details of such an establishment. But your committee would simply draw the attention of the Diocese to the subject, as in its main features worthy of careful consideration.

They beg leave, in conclusion, to offer the following resolution :

Resolved, That during the ensuing conventional year, the clergy of the Diocese be requested to preach one or more sermons, at their discretion, to the young men of their respective congregations, urging them prayerfully to revolve the question in their minds, whether or no they can conscientiously justify themselves in refusing to consecrate themselves to the service of the Lord, in the work of the ministry of the Gospel.

That they be likewise requested, in private interviews and exhortations, to direct the thoughts of pious youth to this important work.

And further, that every clergyman be requested, in the same connection, diligently to set forth the peculiar advantages and claims of our Diocesan Institutions.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES McELROY,
ASA COLEMAN,
GEO. W. DUBOIS.

Rev. Mr. Fairchild read the following report of the standing committee on Missions.

The standing committee on Missions beg leave to present the following report :

The report of the Treasurer of the Missionary and Education committee furnishes us with the following particulars : Amount received during the year, \$3,920 ; paid to Missionaries and Beneficiaries, \$2,904.70 ; amount on hand, \$1,015.30. Number of Missionaries aided, 17 ; Beneficiaries, 14.

This report gives evidence of increased interest in the cause of missions, and calls for devout thankfulness to the great Head of the Church, for having influenced the hearts of so many of his people to give of their abundance for the promotion of his cause in the Diocese. The deficiency we are called upon to use means to provide for, is not in money to support missionaries, but faithful men to break the bread of life, and plant the standard of the Church throughout the length and breadth of the Diocese.

This want, so sensibly felt, we believe to be caused by the absence of that faith and zeal for the cause of Christ which does not confer with flesh and blood, but, in spite of self-denial and discouragement, goes forth to bear the message of peace to others which they have received themselves. Therefore,

1. *Resolved*, That the urgent demand for laborers in this Diocese calls for the united, earnest, and persevering prayer of all who love the Lord Jesus Christ, that God would awaken the zeal of our young men, and from their number " send forth laborers unto his vineyard."

2. *Resolved*, That the Convention recommend that the present very efficient Agent of the Missionary Committee be continued for the ensuing

year, and that we use our best endeavors to make our collections correspond with the increased expense of living.

3. *Resolved*, That the Missionary and Education committee be directed to make appropriations to missionaries with reference to this increase.

T. B. FAIRCHILD,
WM. R. NICHOLSON,
S. PATRICK.

Which was accepted, and the resolutions severally adopted.

Rev. J. McElroy offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That that portion of the report read by Mr. DuBois upon the training of youth for the ministry which relates to the establishment, at Gambier, of a school for the education of indigent youth, be respectfully recommended to the consideration of the Board of Trustees of Kenyon College and the Theological Seminary.

Mr. S. N. Sanford, from the committee on the subject of Female Education, submitted the following report, which was accepted, and for the present laid on the table:

The committee to which was referred the resolutions introduced by Mr. Sanford, on the subject of Female Education, would respectfully report, that they are unanimous in the opinion that the subject is one of the most important that can occupy the attention of this Convention; and that it is, indeed, in the language of the resolutions above referred to, now "incumbent upon churchmen of Ohio to provide an institution for the christian education of our daughters which shall bear a favorable comparison, in the liberality of its provisions, with our noble institutions at Gambier."

That the education of females, in itself considered, (with no reference to any other than the individual educated,) is *equally* important with that of males, it is presumed, no one in this Convention will at this day deny. And when we consider the unbounded influence, for weal or for woe, of woman, as the natural educator of the race, your committee feel assured that in no respect is her thorough christian education less important than is that of the other sex. This being admitted, there seems to be no reason for the endowment of colleges for the education of males, which does not call with equal or even greater force for the endowment of institutions for the education of females. Surely the latter are not better able to pay the whole actual cost of their education than are the former. The avenues to lucrative employment open for them are not more numerous than those open to males, but quite the reverse. The devoted female, who burns with a desire to improve her mind and fit herself for usefulness, must, if destitute of means, labor for a small compensation, scarcely sufficient to cover her necessary current

expenses, and from this small amount she must save a sum sufficient to meet her school bills; and these, from the want of *endowed* female seminaries, are necessarily high; while the young man, in a similar situation, finds before him many open doors to profitable and honorable employment; and when he has saved a comparatively small sum, he may go on with his education, finding that benevolent persons have previously paid a large portion of the actual cost of his education, by liberally endowing the institution where he is to receive it. Now, why should the young man be thus favored, and the young woman thus neglected? And why should the daughters of churchmen be driven, by such neglect, to the necessity of having their minds and their christian character formed in a sectarian, a Romish, or an infidel mould?

In view of these and numerous other facts and circumstances, which, from lack of time, your committee cannot now place before you in the strong lights in which they should be viewed, we would offer for adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this Convention heartily concurs in the sentiment that the christian education of our daughters is a matter of vital importance to the Church and to the world; that expediency no less than justice, and duty no less than interest, demand that this Diocese proceed, without unnecessary delay, to found an institution for the christian education of females, provided with grounds, buildings, &c., on a liberal scale, and with a permanent and productive endowment of at least fifty thousand dollars.

Resolved, That a committee of — clergymen and — laymen be now appointed, with instructions to report at the next annual session of this Convention a plan for raising and investing such an endowment; a plan for the organization of such an institution; the place or places, within the Diocese, which offer the strongest inducements for its location in their vicinity; and such other matter, connected with this subject, as they may deem necessary to bring before this Convention.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ERASTUS BURR,
JAMES McELROY,
LAWSON CARTER,
JOHN CLARKE,
D. D. AIKEN,
S. N. SANFORD.

Rev. Mr. Burton offered the following preamble and resolution, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, by the recent union of Cleveland and Ohio City, what has hitherto been known as St. John's Parish, Ohio City, is now St. John's Parish, Cleveland; therefore,

Resolved, That whenever said parish is named in the reported proceedings of this Convention, it be designated St. John's Parish, Cleveland, in accordance with existing facts.

Rev. Dr. Muenscher, from the committee on Canons, made a second report, as follows:

The Committee on Canons, to whom (in connection with the Bishop) was referred the list of the clergy, for revision, would report:

That they find no reason for the alteration of that list. The only case specially referred to them was that of a reverend gentleman whose name had been omitted from the list of the clergy entitled to seats, he having resigned the rectorship of his parish by reason of ill health. The committee regard the Bishop's view of this case as in accordance with the 4th Article of the Constitution — inasmuch, as to entitle a clergyman of infirm health to his seat, it is required that he be " prevented by age and infirmities from the public services of the ministry."

Respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER,
Chairman Committee on Canons.

Which was accepted and adopted.

Dr. Wood, Treasurer of the Diocese, made an informal report, for the purpose of giving an opportunity to correct possible errors in his accounts.

The report read by Col. Bond, on the affairs of Kenyon College, being in order,

Rev. Mr. French moved its adoption.

Mr. M. H. Mitchell, of Mt. Vernon, moved to amend, by adopting the report so far as it relates to recommendations to the Board of Trustees; which was accepted by the original mover.

Rev. Mr. Fitch offered the following substitute:

Resolved, That while this Convention would not be considered as endorsing all that is contained in the labored and valuable report of the committee on the state of the Institutions at Gambier, it deems great credit to be due to them for eliciting much important information, and would recommend the suggestions of the committee to the serious consideration of the Board of Trustees.

Mr. M. M. Granger moved, as a substitute, the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention approves the recommendations of the report of the committee on the state of Kenyon College and Theological Seminary, and advises that the Board of Trustees take the same under consideration.

Rev. Mr. Cumming moved, as a substitute for all previous motions, that the report of the committee be adopted.

Several members asked and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

Pending the discussion of the Report on the condition of the College and Seminary, the Convention adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock on Saturday morning.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention assembled, and united with the Bishop in the Litany and other prayers.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The minutes were read, amended and approved.

The Convention resumed the consideration of the Report on the affairs of the College and Seminary, when, after full discussion, it was finally accepted.

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. W. H. Johnston, and the Convention then took a recess till half past 2 o'clock, p. m.

2½ o'clock, P. M.

The Convention reassembled, and after devotional services proceeded to business.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

Mr. J. W. Andrews, from the committee of five on that portion of the Bishop's Address relating to clerical support, etc., presented the following report, which was adopted:

The committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the salaries of the clergy in this Diocese, and to the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, beg leave respectfully to report that they have had the same under consideration, and are of the opinion,

1. That in all the parishes in Ohio, in which a pastor is regularly settled, and in which, within the last three or four years, there has been no increase of salary, to meet the increased expenditure arising out of high prices, there should now be an addition to such salaries of at least twenty-five per cent. This burden must rest somewhere. It is not right that it should all fall on the clergyman. With this addition of twenty-five per cent., the salaries of our clergymen in Ohio, will, as a general rule, afford them but a scanty support.

2. That no regularly settled pastor in this Diocese should receive, as his salary, less than five hundred dollars per annum. Whenever a parish has done all, which it can reasonably be expected to do, towards paying such salary, the Missionary Committee should feel themselves authorized to pay the additional amount necessary to make up the sum of five hundred dollars, instead of four hundred dollars, which has been their practice heretofore. The Diocese will undoubtedly sustain them in so doing.

3. The committee concur fully with the Bishop in his recommendation that collections be taken up at the period of the year most favorable for collections, for the purpose of aiding the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen. They would also suggest that the clergy shall feel authorized to call the attention of individual members of their respective congregations, to the propriety of aiding this society, especially by subscriptions for a term of years, or for life. If properly presented, the committee feel sure that the claims of this society will be fully met by the Diocese.

All which is respectfully submitted.

On motion by W. K. Bond, Esq.:

Resolved, That the members of this Convention tender their thanks to the congregation of Grace Church, and other citizens of Sandusky, for their Christian hospitality during the present session of Convention.

On motion by Rev. Mr. McElroy, the report of the Committee on Female Education was taken up, and the report and resolutions were adopted.

The chair appointed the following persons as the committee named in said report: Rev. Mr. McElroy, and Messrs. S. N. Sanford and J. W. Andrews.

Rev. E. H. Cumming offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the views of the committee upon the condition and interests of the Institutions at Gambier, in reference to the investment of its funds, be respectfully but most earnestly recommended to the consideration of the Board of Trustees.

The same gentleman gave notice of a proposed change in the Constitution, in the form of the following resolution, which was so far approved, as to lie over for the action of the next Convention:

Resolved, That the Constitution be amended or altered so as to change the time of holding the annual Convention from the month of September to the first Thursday in June.

Rev. W. C. French offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention are hereby tendered to the editors of the Sandusky Commercial Register, for their full and accurate reports of the doings of this Convention, and for the copies of that paper so generously furnished for the use of members.

The Bishop read the annual report of the Betts' Library Fund, as follows:

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT

Of the "Charles D. Betts Library Fund" of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio.

Balance in hand per last Report.....	\$192 30
Interest since received.....	100 00

\$292 30

Paid for Turner on Romans.....	\$ 1 50
Weiss' History of French Protestant Refugees.....	2 50
Eclipse of Faith	1 25
Bolton's Evidences of Christianity.....	75
Olshausen's Commentary, 9 vols.....	18 00
Parker's Soc. Library of the English Fathers, 22 vols.	38 25
New Edition of Encyclopedia Britannica, 5 vols.....	25 00
Postage	09
Transportation of books.....	2 25

89 59

Balance on hand.....	<u>\$202 71</u>
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In behalf of the Faculty of the Theological Seminary.

CHAS. P. McILVAINE,
President.

SEPTEMBER 30, 1854.

Rev. W. C. French offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to publish 1000 copies of the Journal of this Convention, and that 50 copies be deposited in the Library of the Theological Seminary.

Mr. S. N. Sanford offered the following, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire whether it be not expedient to report a canon, or an amendment to an existing canon, requiring each parish Clergyman, or, in case of vacancy, each Senior Warden or Secretary, to include in the annual report required from each parish, a statement of the total amount of property subject to taxation in his parish; and furthermore requiring that the facts thus adduced as to the pecuniary ability of the respective parishes of the Diocese, be made the basis of the annual assessment upon the parishes for the support of the Episcopate, and for the contingent expenses of the Diocese.

Rev. Mr. Fitch was called to the chair.

Rev. Mr. McElroy, from the Finance Committee, presented the following report, which was adopted :

The Committee on Finance have the great pleasure of reporting to the Convention that, according to the report of the Treasurer of the Diocese, the Right Reverend the Bishop of the Diocese is fully paid the salary for the present year, ending Sept. 1st, 1854, and all arrearages, and interest thereon; and that there is a small balance to the credit of the Convention.

In regard to the memorial from St. Paul's, Cincinnati, referred to the Committee, your Committee have given to it the consideration which its importance demands, and are happy that the views of the vestry of St. Paul's are in perfect unison with their own, upon the imperative justice of promptly paying the salary of our beloved Diocesan, and all arrearages due him; but what the vestry say of the rule of assessment, suggested in the Canon upon this subject, is found by your Committee utterly impracticable, because of the large proportion of poor and penniless communicants in some parishes in the Diocese. The assessment of the Diocese for the past year was, however, extraordinary, to pay off the arrearages due the Bishop; and your committee have the pleasure of reporting an assessment for this year which they hope will be found generally fair and just. Your committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the memorial from St. Paul's, Cincinnati, be placed upon the files of the Convention.

Resolved, That all the arrearages now due from the parishes to the episcopate and contingent funds, be discharged and wiped off from the books of the Treasurer of the Diocese.

The Committee on Finance also respectfully offer the following as their proposed scale of

ASSESSMENTS FOR 1854-55.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Conting't Fund.
Akron, St. Paul's	\$15	\$5
Ashtabula, St. Peter's	20	5
Bellevue, St. Paul's	10	2
Berkshire, Grace	8	2
Boardman, St. James'	8	2
Canfield, St. Stephen's	6	2
Centerville, St. David's	6	1
Chillicothe, St. Paul's	75	10
Cincinnati, Christ	250	50
Cincinnati, St. John's	175	10
Cincinnati, St. Paul's	190	80
Gincinnati, Trinity	10	2
Circleville, St. Philip's	85	8
Cleveland, Grace	50	5
Cleveland, St. John's	35	6
Cleveland, St. Paul's	100	10
Cleveland, Trinity	110	12
Columbia, St. Luke's	4	1
Columbus, St. Paul's	20	5
Columbus, Trinity	85	15
Cross Creek, St. James'	10	5
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's	25	5
Dayton, Christ	70	8
Delaware, St. Peter's	50	10
Dresden, Zion	10	2
East Liverpool, St. Stephen's	1	1
East Plymouth, St. Matthew's	5	2
East Springfield, St. John's	10	1
Elyria, St. Andrew's	10	2
Euclid, St. Paul's	6	1
Franklin, Christ	5	2
Fremont, St. Paul's	5	1
Gallipolis, St. Peter's	1	1
Gambier, Harcourt	60	10
Grafton, St. Stephen's	3	1
Granville, St. Luke's	15	4
Greenville, St. Paul's	2	2
Hamilton, St. Matthew's	1	1
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's	1	1
Hillsboro', St. Mary's	10	3
Hudson, Christ	20	5
Huron, Christ	4	2
Ironton, Christ	3	2
Jefferson, Trinity	5	1
Kingston, St. James'	4	1
Lancaster, St. John's	10	1

ASSESSMENTS—CONTINUED.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Conting't Fund.
Lyme, Trinity	\$8	\$2
Madison, St. Matthew's	8	2
Mansfield, Grace	15	4
Marietta, St. Luke's	15	5
Marion, St. Paul's	6	2
Massillon, St. Timothy's	50	10
Maumee City, St. Paul's	5	2
Medina, St. Paul's	35	5
Milan, St. Luke's	6	2
Mill Creek, St. Mark's	5	2
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's	80	10
Mt. Vernon, Christ	8	2
Newark, Trinity	25	5
Newton Falls, St. Mark's	5	3
Norwalk, St. Paul's	35	8
Painesville, St. James'	15	5
Penfield, Christ	2	1
Peninsula, Bethel	3	1
Perry, St. Matthew's	4	2
Piqua, St. James'	60	10
Pomeroy, Grace	10	2
Portsmouth, All Saints'	80	10
Rome, St. Peter's	1	1
Roscoe, Immanuel	1	1
Sandusky, Grace	70	10
Springfield, Christ	10	2
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas'	2	1
Steubenville, St. Paul's	60	10
Strongsville, St. Philip's	2	1
Toledo, Trinity	55	8
Troy, Trinity	10	1
Unionville, St. Michael's	1	1
Urbana, Epiphany	8	2
Wakeman, St. John's	2	1
Warren, Christ	25	5
Windsor, Christ	1	1
Wooster, St. James'	8	2
Worthington, St. John's	10	2
Xenia, Christ	3	2
Yellow Springs, Christ	3	2
Zanesville, St. James'	100	12

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES MCELROY,
 J. W. ANDREWS,
 JAMES HALL,
Committee on Finance.

Judge Hall, from the Committee on Finance, proposed the following amendment of Art. IV of the Constitution, which lies over for the action of the next Convention:

Add at the end of the Article: "And no parish shall be represented in the Convention by clerical and lay delegates, unless the assessment of such parish for the contingent and episcopate funds for the year at the close of which the Convention is held, shall have been paid."

Rev. Dr. Muenscher, from the Committee on Canons, made the following additional report, which was adopted:

The Committee on Canons beg leave to report that in reference to the proposed addition to the 4th Article of the Constitution submitted to them, to the effect that "the President of Kenyon College shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention *ex officio*," they are unanimously of the opinion that such addition would be highly inexpedient and unwise.

Respectfully submitted.

JOS. MUENSCHER, *Chairman.*

Rev. N. Badger offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the next Convention of the Diocese of Ohio shall be held in St. James' Church, Zanesville.

The same gentleman offered the following resolution, which was negatived:

Resolved, That the surplus hereafter arising from the assessment upon the parishes for the support of the Episcopate, after paying the annual salary of the Bishop, be committed to the care of the Trustees of the Episcopate Fund, and that all arrearages be considered as due to that fund.

Rev. Mr. McElroy offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the President of the Convention be authorized to draw upon the Treasurer for \$50 in favor of the Secretary, to be paid to him out of any funds belonging to the Diocese in his hands.

The Bishop resumed the chair.

Rev. Mr. McElroy moved the adoption of the report of the Treasurer, heretofore informally read, subject to correction, which was agreed to. [See Appendix.]

On motion, the Convention proceeded to the election of a Standing Committee, and the following persons were appointed a committee to nominate: Rev. Dr. Bronson, Rev. Mr. Fitch, and Mr. R. Harper; who presented the following names:

Rev. W. R. Nicholson,	James Hall,
" R. Gray,	D. K. Cady,
" C. M. Butler, D.D.,	D. B. Pierson.

Which was agreed to, the ballot being unanimously dispensed with.

On motion, proceeded to the election of a Missionary and Education Committee, and the following persons were appointed a committee to nominate: Rev. Messrs. Cumming and McElroy, and Dr. Coleman; who soon after presented the following names:

Rev. A. Blake,	Lorin Andrews,
" T. M. Smith, D.D.,	Ebenezer Alling,
" N. Badger,	M. White,
" H. Blackaller,	Hamilton L. Smith.

Which was agreed to, the ballot being unanimously dispensed with.

Rev. J. B. Britton made an oral report in reference to the proposed mural tablet to the memory of Bishop Chase, which was accepted, and the committee on that subject continued, to carry out the object of their appointment.

Rev. Mr. French moved that in the election of a Treasurer the ballot be dispensed with, which was agreed to; whereupon, Dr. Wm. Wood being nominated, was unanimously reelected.

On motion, the following persons were appointed a committee to attend examinations at Gambier the ensuing year:

Rev. Edward Winthrop,	Sherman Finch,
" Henry Blackaller,	Dr. A. Coleman,
" G. W. DuBois,	Platt Benedict,
" F. B. Nash,	J. W. Andrews,
" C. M. Butler, D.D.,	Geo. A. Benedict,
" E. H. Cumming,	Chas. K. Goddard.

There being no further business before the Convention, on motion, the minutes of the whole session were read, and approved.

The Convention then united in chanting the *Gloria in Excelsis*, and after prayers and the Apostolic benediction by the Bishop, adjourned *sine die*.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE,
President of the Convention.

Attest:

WILLIAM C. FRENCH,
Secretary.

WILLIAM B. THRALL,
Assistant Secretary.

LIST OF CLERGY AND LAY DELEGATES

WHO COMPOSED THIS CONVENTION.

CLERGY.

The Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT MCILVAINE, D.D., D. C. L.	
The Rev. NORMAN BADGER,	The Rev. RICHARD GRAY,
" " HENRY BLACKALLER,	" " HENRY T. HEISTER,
" " ALFRED BLAKE, B. D.,	" " LEVI L. HOLDEN,
" " JAMES A. BOLLES,	" " SAMUEL MARKS,
" " JOHN BOYD,	" " JAMES McELROY,
" " JAMES BRITTON,	" " D. C. MAYBIN,
" " SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, D.D.,	" " JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D.,
" " JOHN L. BRYAN,	" " RODOLPHUS K. NASH,
" " ERASTUS BURR, D.D.,	" " F. B. NASH,
" " LEWIS BURTON,	" " WILLIAM R. NICHOLSON,
" " LAWSON CARTER,	" " G. B. PERRY, D.D., LL.D.,
" " R. BETHELL CLAXTON, D.D.,	" " ALANSON PHELPS,
" " THOMAS CORLETT,	" " N. C. PRIDHAM,
" " EDWARD H. CUMMING,	" " DANIEL RISSER,
" " COLUMBUS S. DOOLITTLE,	" " JOSEPH E. RYAN,
" " GEO. WASHINGTON DUBoIS,	" " NOAH HUNT SCHENCK,
" " THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD,	" " E. A. STRONG,
" " CHAUNCEY W. FITCH,	" " GEORGE B. STURGES,
" " LYMAN N. FREEMAN,	" " HENRY B. WALBRIDGE,
" " WILLIAM C. FRENCH,	" " HOMER WHEELER,
" " FRANCIS GRANGER,	" " M. T. C. WING, D.D.

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LAY DELEGATES.

St. Paul's, Akron—L. M. Latimer.

St. Peter's, Ashtabula—Elihu C. Strong, Ben. P. Ensign.

Christ, Cincinnati—Jas. Hall, W. K. Bond.

St. John's, Cincinnati—William Wood, J. H. C. Bonte, E. A. Thompson.

St. Paul's, Cincinnati—William H. Johnston.

Grace, Cleveland—E. W. Palmer.

St. John's, Cleveland—David Griffith, Geo. L. Chapman.

St. Paul's, Cleveland—Elisha T. Sterling.

Trinity, Cleveland—Ansel Roberts, Patrick Anderson, Alex. Garrett.

Trinity, Columbus—William B. Thrall, John W. Andrews, R. L. Chittenden.

St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls—Wm. L. Handford.

Christ, Dayton—Warren Munger, Geo. W. Shoup.

St. Peter's, Delaware—George W. Campbell.

St. Paul's, Fremont—Charles Trowbridge, Daniel Capper.

Harcourt, Gambier—William J. Scott, Lorin Andrews.
St. Luke's, Granville—S. N. Sanford.
St. Mary's, Hillsborough—J. Milton Boyd.
Christ, Huron—Samuel P. McDonald, L. B. Johnson.
Christ, Ironton—George W. Jackson.
Trinity, Lyme—John Clarke, Joseph Wood.
St. Luke's, Milan—A. Minuse.
Christ, Mt. Vernon—M. H. Mitchell.
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon—R. C. Hurd, E. Alling.
St. Paul's, Norwalk—Platt Benedict, Shepherd Patrick, C. E. Newman.
St. James', Painesville—David D. Aiken, Alex. Thompson, John C. Martin.
St. James', Piqua—M. G. Mitchell.
Grace, Sandusky—Rice Harper, A. H. Moss.
Christ, Springfield—William Coles, James Dory.
St. Philip's, Strongsville—George Johnson, E. N. Clark.
Trinity, Troy—Asa Coleman.
St. James', Zanesville—Gordius A. Hall, Moses M. Granger.—*53.*

The following persons not entitled to seats, being present, were invited to sit as Honorary Members of the Convention, under the XVIth Rule of Order:

Of the Diocese of Ohio:

Rev. GEORGE S. DAVIS,	Rev. GEORGE W. WATSON,
“ THOMAS B. DOOLEY,	“ EDWARD WINTHROP.
“ PETER NEFF, jr.,	

Of the Diocese of New York:

Rev. CHARLES REYNOLDS.

Of the Diocese of Wisconsin:

Rev. W. W. ARNETT, D.D.

Candidates for Orders in the Diocese of Ohio, present:

RICHARD L. CHITTENDEN,	HENRY MORRELL.
CHARLES W. FEARNS,	

COMMITTEES, TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS.

STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.

REV. W. R. NICHOLSON,	JAMES HALL,
" RICHARD GRAY,	D. K. CADY,
" C. M. BUTLER, D.D.,	D. B. PIERSON.

TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND KEYON COLLEGE.

THE BISHOP, *ex officio* PRESIDENT.

REV. SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, D.D.,	LORIN ANDREWS,
" R. BETHELL CLAXTON, D.D.,	ELISHA T. STERLING,
" ERASTUS BURR, D.D.,	HENRY B. CURTIS,
" JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D.,	JOSEPH R. SWAN,
" JAMES McELROY,	ROLLIN C. HURD,
" WM. R. NICHOLSON,	RUFUS KING.

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

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REV. ALFRED BLAKE, B.D.,	LORIN ANDREWS,
" NORMAN BADGER,	EBENEZER ALLING,
" HENRY BLACKALLER,	MARDENBRO WHITE,
" T. M. SMITH, D.D.,	HAMILTON L. SMITH.

TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPATE FUND.

JOSEPH R. SWAN,	D. K. CADY,	ELISHA T. STERLING.
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COMMITTEE ON THE ENDOWMENT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

REV. ERASTUS BURR, D.D.,	JAMES HALL,	DR. WM. WOOD.
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COMMITTEE ON MURAL TABLET TO BISHOP CHASE.

REV. J. B. BRITTON,	REV. ERASTUS BURR, D.D.,	D. K. CADY.
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COMMITTEE TO ATTEND EXAMINATIONS AT GAMIER.

REV. EDWARD WINTHROP,	SHERMAN FINCH,
" HENRY BLACKALLER,	DR. A. COLEMAN,
" GEORGE W. DuBOIS,	PLATT BENEDICT,
" EDWARD H. CUMMING,	J. W. ANDREWS,
" F. B. NASH,	GEO. A. BENEDICT,
" C. M. BUTLER, D.D.,	CHAS. K. GODDARD.

SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND CHILDREN OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

THE BISHOP, *ex officio* PRESIDENT.

REV. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D., SECRETARY,	
GEORGE BROWNING, Esq., TREASURER,	
Mount Vernon.	

TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

WILLIAM WOOD, M.D.,

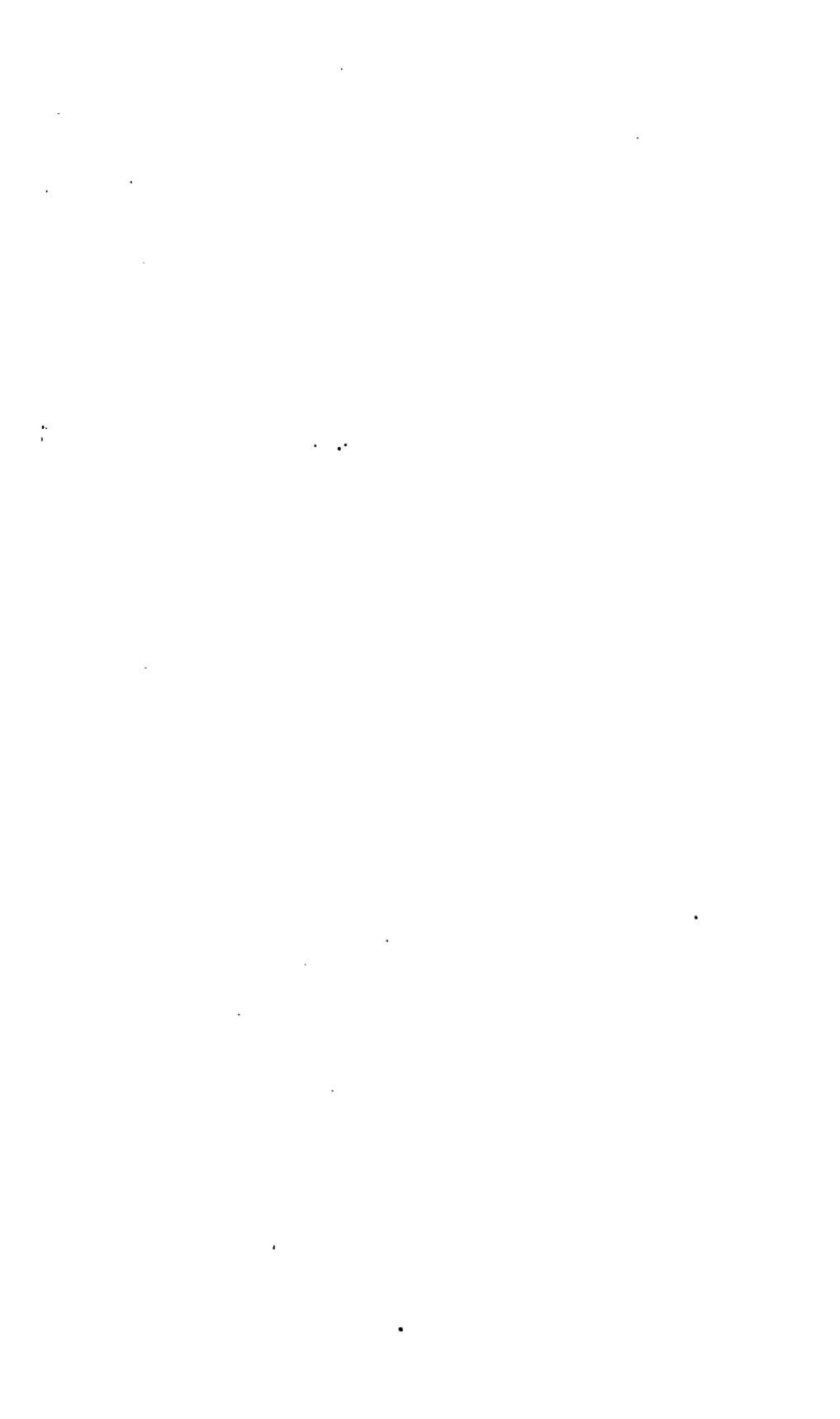
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SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

REV. WILLIAM C. FRENCH.

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APPENDIX.



PAROCHIAL AND CLERICAL REPORTS,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER, 1854.

St. Paul's Church, Akron.

Baptisms—infant, 5; adult, 1. Confirmations, 2. Marriages, 3. Burials, 6. Communicants,—increased by admission, 2; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 3; present number, 24 Sunday School—children, 25; teachers, 4; catechized by Rector, 14 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$22.

Bishop's salary, \$20; Contingent fund, \$5; Foreign Missions, \$7.54; do., by S. S., for Africa, \$1.25; Domestic Missions, \$3.25; Diocesan Missions, \$12.40; Sundries, \$12.14—Total, \$58.58.

In addition to the regular services on Sunday, the Rector has officiated on Ash-Wednesday, Good-Friday, and every other Wednesday and Friday morning, during the season of Lent. He takes pleasure in saying that the debt which has been hanging over the church for many years, has been cancelled, and the church is now entirely free from debt. The regular attendance of the parish on the ministration of God's truth on Sundays, he regrets to say, is not as large as could be desired. The Sunday School has been but thinly attended during the summer, owing, we have thought, in a measure, to the sickness prevailing in our midst. The children have been catechized by the Rector, the first Sunday in every month. Our great want at the present time, is the outpouring of God's Holy Spirit, whose office it is, to "convince of sin, righteousness, and a judgment to come." It is our earnest prayer that the Great Head of the Church would visit this branch of His moral vineyard, that sinners may be converted and His people strengthened and built up in the most holy faith, and for this let us labor and pray.

D. C. MAYBIN, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

[See also Report of Rev. John Hall, near the end.]

Baptisms—infant, 21; adult, 4. Confirmations, 11. Marriages, 5. Burials, 10. Communicants—increased by admission, 12; by transfer, 3; lost—by death, 6; by removal, 4; present number, 161. Sunday School—children, 40; teachers, 7; catechized by Rector, since April 24th, 5 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$234.27.

Bishop's salary, \$20; Contingent fund, \$10; Diocesan missions, \$16.12; Sunday School, \$40; Repairs on Parish School House, \$20; Nashotah Theological School, \$3.

In this parish, according to the custom introduced by my worthy and venerable predecessor, the Rev. Jno. Hall, the Holy Communion is administered weekly, and through this channel it is intended all offerings

for missionary and kindred purposes shall be bestowed. It will be noticed that some important departments are reported blank. This has been made necessary, for the present year, from the numerous home claims upon our alms. We do not mean that this shall continue so, but that the claims of these departments shall hereafter be duly attended to.

HOMER WHEELER, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Bellevue.

Baptisms—infant, 4; adult, 2. Confirmations, 5. Marriages, 1. Burials, 2. Communicants—added, 4; by transfer, 1; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 4; present number, 17.

Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$2; Diocesan missions, \$6.85—Total, \$18.85.

For the want of a house, we have no Sabbath School in the parish. Some of the children go to other schools, and some are deprived of the privilege altogether.

This is comparatively a new parish, and from the beginning has labored under discouragements. We are at present without a Rector, the one who had charge for the past two years, having, last Easter, much to the regret of this parish, felt it a duty to remove to another field of labor, and we have not been able to find another, who, in the estimation of the people, could fill his place.

We have a neat stone church edifice in progression which will be completed as soon as means will allow. Although few in number as yet, we hope by Divine blessing “a little one may become a thousand.”

JOHN GRIMES, *Senior Warden.*

Grace Church, Berkshire.

Baptisms—infant, 1; adult, 1. Confirmations, 1. Burials, 7. Communicants—added, 1; by transfer, 4; lost—by death, 2; present number, 27. Sunday School—children, 30; teachers, 5.

Communion Alms, net, \$5.87.

Bishop's salary, \$8; Contingent fund, \$2; Sunday School, \$6.50; Repairing church, \$60; Bell for church, \$180; Am. Bible Soc., \$6—Total, \$268.37.

I have visited Hartford, a beautiful village, 12 miles east of this place, where I preached to a large and attentive congregation, both morning and evening. I also baptized an infant. There are in this place, (Hartford,) a few members of our church, who are like sheep without a shepherd.

I intend (D. V.) to give them occasional services.

J. E. RYAN, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Boardman.

Baptisms—infant, 5. Confirmations, 6. Burials, 2. Communicants—added, 4; by transfer, 4; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 1; by discipline, 1; present number, 36. Children catechized monthly.

Bishop's salary, including arrearages, \$19.50; Contingent fund, \$4; Foreign Missions, \$4; Diocesan Missions, \$15; Widows' and Or-

phans' Soc., \$3 ; Contingent expenses of church, \$4.22 : Erection of Parsonage, about \$700—Total, \$949.72.

The Rector of St. James', Boardman, is happy to add that \$200 have been contributed by two kind friends in the East for the Parsonage, which leaves but about one hundred dollars yet to be provided for. The ladies of the parish have also been laboring with commendable zeal, to help forward the good work. The house is nearly completed, and when finished, will not only be neat and convenient, but sufficiently commodious for any ordinary family.

The prospects of the parish, in other respects, seem to be more encouraging than at my last report. The congregation is gradually increasing in numbers and regularity. He would also take this opportunity, gratefully to acknowledge that he has received many tokens of kindness, some of which have been of very "material aid" to him.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. S. DOOLITTELL, *Rector.*

St. Stephen's Church, Canfield.

Baptisms—infant, 2. Confirmations, 4. Marriages, 4. Burials, 5. Communicants—added, 1 ; by transfer, 1 ; removed, 1 ; present number, 26. Communion Alms, net, \$18.78.

Bishop's salary, including arrears, \$9.50 ; Contingent fund, \$2 ; Foreign Missions, \$2 ; Diocesan Missions, \$16 ; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., \$4 ; Bible Soc., \$3.50 ; Contingent expenses of church, \$12.28—Total, \$68.06.

This parish still continues, apparently, in about the same condition as when last reported. The church has here a few warm and generous hearted friends. In addition to my regular duties, in my two parishes, I have held a third service in a country school-house, once in four weeks, during a part of the year. And I have also preached twice in Youngstown, where a flourishing parish might, no doubt, be built up, if a faithful laborer could be stationed there for a time. But in regard to this whole region round about, infidelity, skepticism, and almost every species of error seem to pervade the mass of society, and thus prevent the progress of the church. All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. S. DOOLITTELL, *Rector.*

St. David's Church, Centerville.

Baptisms—infant, 4. Confirmations, 1. Marriages, 5. Communicants—added, 1 ; lost—by death, 3 ; removal, 12 ; discipline, 1 ; present number, 42. Sunday School—children, 60 ; teachers, 10 ; catechised, 18 times.

Bishop's salary, \$6 ; Contingent fund, \$1 ; Bible Soc., \$55. Total, \$62.

This parish has suffered considerably again this year by emigration. The young people are moving away from our settled east, and now we are becoming less and less every year.

ABRAHAM EDWARDS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

Baptisms—infant, 16; adult, 4. Confirmations, 20. Marriages, 8. Burials, 5. Communicants—added, 18; by transfer, 1; lost—by death, 3; by removal, 13; present number, 106. Sunday School—children, 71; teachers, 13; catechized, 20 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$57.32.

Bishop's salary, \$80; Contingent fund, \$5; Foreign Missions, \$45; Domestic Missions, \$43; Diocesan Missions, \$134.76; Sunday School, \$30; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$20; Tract Society, \$28; Thanksgiving offering for the poor, \$15; Bible Society, \$70; contingent expenses of parish, \$100; various objects of benevolence, \$100—Total, \$728.08.

This parish continues to suffer from the death and removal of its members, and none are added to it by transfer. But the Lord by his Spirit has more than made up the loss it has sustained, this year, by adding to the number of its communicants. The Rector has still to acknowledge himself and family the recipients of many acts of substantial kindness on the part of his parishioners, for which he feels duly grateful. Besides his usual missionary services, rendered once a month, in St. James' Church, Kingston, he has officiated once at Bourneville, and once in the country. The parish is in a healthy condition, and united; for which God be praised.

L. N. FREEMAN, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—infant, 53; adult, 10. Confirmations, 22. Marriages, 19. Burials, 32. Communicants—added, 20; by transfer, 10; lost, by death, 3; removal, 3; error last year, 23; present number, 201. Sunday School—children, 170; teachers, 20.

Communion Alms, net, \$459.33.

Bishop's salary, \$400; Contingent fund, \$50; Foreign Missions, \$358.29; Diocesan Missions, \$1,225.85; Sunday School, \$120; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$112.80; Young Mens' Bible Society, Cin., \$522; German Mission in Cincinnati, \$273.71; City Missionary in Cincinnati, \$700; Colored Orphan Asylum, Cin., \$50; Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$650; Missions in South Armenia, \$59.83; Widows' Home, in Cincinnati, \$127.81; American Tract Society, \$800; Distributed to the poor, exclusive of comm. alms, \$513.75; Dorcas Society, \$200; towards building two churches in Texas, \$250—Total, \$6,873.37.

RICHARD GRAY, *Assistant Minister.*

St. John's Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—infant, 35; adult, 1. Confirmations, 15. Marriages, 21. Burials, 23. Communicants—added, 15; by transfer, 20; lost—by death, 2; removal, 7; present number, 194. Sunday School—children, 200; teachers, 23; catechised, 8 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$450.19.

Bishop's salary, \$175; Contingent fund, \$10; Foreign Missions, \$273.75; Domestic Missions, \$400; Diocesan Missions, \$88.65; Sunday School, \$82.88; Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$70.95; for

Trinity Church, Cincinnati, \$55.50 ; for American Tract Society, \$1,500 ; from Ladies' Benevolent Society, \$140 ; contributed by individuals in aid of other churches, for distribution of Parish Visitors, E. K. S. tracts, prayer books and church papers, in aid of the city poor, &c., &c., \$2,000 ; the whole amount of contributions, beside the expenses of the parish, being \$5,246.92.

It may show the spirit and energy of the Sunday School children to say, that, of the sum given for Foreign Missions, \$113.61 were contributed by them.

The above facts speak for themselves in respect of the condition of the parish.

WM. R. NICHOLSON, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

[No report.]

Trinity Church, Cincinnati.

[No report.]

St. Philip's Church, Circleville.

Baptisms—infant, 8 ; adult, 2. Confirmations, 8. Marriages, 2. Burials, 5. Communicants—added, 8 ; by transfer, 5 ; lost—by death, 1 ; removal, 10 ; present number, 62. Sunday School—children, 40 ; teachers, 7 ; catechised usually every Sunday.

Communion Alms, net, \$82.

Bishop's salary, \$35 ; Contingent fund, \$8 ; Foreign Missions, \$32 ; Diocesan Missions, \$9.50 ; Sunday School, \$20 ; Bible Soc., \$9.50 ; incidental expenses and sundries, \$101.99 ; for parsonage, \$886.59—Total, \$1,102.58.

R. S. NASH, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms—infant, 27 ; adult, 2. Confirmations, 7. Marriages, 11. Burials, 32. Communicants—added, 7 ; by transfer, 14 ; lost—by death, 6 ; removal, 13 ; present number, 99. Sunday School—children, 70 ; teachers, 12. The Rector attends in person every Sunday, and examines in church catechism once a month.

Communion Alms, net, about \$115.

Bishop's salary, \$30 ; Contingent fund, \$5 ; for Nashota, by a lady, \$5 ; Diocesan Missions, \$20.29 ; Sunday School, \$47 ; repairing and improving church, collected in parish about \$1,000—Total, \$1,222.29.

LAWSON CARTER, *Rector,*
G. B. PERRY, *Associate Rector.*

St. John's Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms—infant, 29 ; adult, 2. Confirmations, 18. Marriages, 18. Burials, 43. Communicants—added, 20 ; by transfer, 5 ; lost—by death, 7 ; removal, 9 ; present number, 121. Sunday School—children, 60 ; teachers, 11 ; catechised, 8 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$110.48.

Bishop's salary, \$35; Contingent fund, \$6; Foreign Missions, \$7; Diocesan Missions, \$57.15; S. School, \$29.31; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., \$5.25—Total, \$151.48.

The above sums, with the exception of those contributed for the Bishop's salary and Contingent fund, were appropriated from the proceeds of the communion offerings. The Rector, upon leaving home for the Convention, forgot to ascertain from the records the exact amount appropriated to the poor in the course of the past year; but believes that the entire balance of the proceeds of the communion offerings above reported has been so appropriated. LEWIS BURTON, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms—infant, 15; adult, 2. Confirmations, 11. Marriages, 7. Burials, 20. Communicants—added, 11; by transfer, 24; lost—by death, 2; removal, 4; present number, 109. Sunday School—children, 120; teachers, 18; catechised, 8 times.

Communion collections, other than those specified below, \$78.04.

Bishop's salary, \$100; Contingent fund, \$10; Foreign Missions, from Sunday School, \$66.64; Diocesan Missions, \$149.53; Sunday School, \$82.16; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$35; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, \$15; Cleveland Orphan Asylum, \$68; in aid of church at Maumee, (\$13.18 in Sunday School,) \$97.68; in aid of church at Honesdale, Penn., \$25; Female Epis. Tract Society, Phila., \$5—Total, \$732.05.

To the contributions should be added the cost of stuccoing the church and adding a spire; of a bell weighing 3000 pounds; of a new organ case, in keeping with the style and proportions of the church edifice; and of a fence enclosing the lot on which the building stands—about \$6,000. A considerable sum has also been collected and applied to the liquidation of the debt on the church. As a part of the subscription for this purpose is yet to be paid in, a report of the amount will be deferred for the present.

The Rector of St. Paul's has been able to officiate and preach in the vacant parish of St. Paul's, Euclid, nine times, besides assisting the Bishop by reading prayers, on the occasion of his visitation there. That parish would certainly grow, could it have the pastoral care of a faithful clergyman.

R. B. CLAXTON, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms, during the year—infant, 9; adult, 1. Marriages, 6. Burials, 22. The former Rector of the parish was prevented by sickness in his family from making his report the last year; and in consequence of the short time in which the present Rector has been in charge, and the unsettled state of the parish, owing to the burning of "Old Trinity," and the building of a new church, he is unable to state the exact number of communicants, but thinks the present number about 140. Sunday School—children, 70; teachers, 12; catechised, 15 times.

Amount of Communion Alms, \$151.22.

Bishop's salary, \$100; Contingent fund, 12; Domestic Missions,

\$250; Bible and Common Prayer Book Soc., \$14; Diocesan Missions, \$89.50; Sunday School, \$20—Total, \$636.72.

In addition to the above, the parish has erected a new and very beautiful church edifice, having an uncommonly fine organ, and a chime of nine bells. The whole cost of lot, church, furniture, organ, bells, &c., is about \$42,000, and the new church, free from debt, will soon be ready for consecration. JAMES A. BOLLES, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Columbus.

Baptisms—infant, 15. Confirmations, 16. Marriages, 4. Burials, 10. Communicants—added, 19; by transfer, 2; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 7; present number, 125. Sunday School—children, 100; teachers, 18.

Episcopate and contingent funds, \$115; Foreign Missions, \$65; Missions in Canada, \$30, (\$25 by Sunday School;) Diocesan Missions, \$54.15; Benevolent Society, \$38; to Rev. W. N. Irish, \$60; Bible Society, \$21; Family of Rev. A. F. Dobb, \$200; Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$25; Sunday School, \$63—Total, \$671.15.

The undersigned resigned the charge, the last of June, 1854.

This parish owes the Diocese nothing.

WM. PRESTON, *late Rector.*

BRIDGEMPT, Conn., Sept., 1854.

St. James' Church, Cross Creek.

Marriages, 1. Burials, 1. Communicants—added, 4; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 1; present number, 53.

Communion Alms, net, \$24.11; appropriated as below:

Bishop's salary, \$20; Contingent fund, \$5; Foreign Missions, \$5; Domestic Missions, \$6.60; Diocesan Missions, \$10; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., \$4; Prayer Books, tracts, &c., \$3.33—Total, \$53.93.

I have visited and spent one Sunday at New Hagerstown, (formerly St. Barnabas' Parish,) Carroll county. I baptized two children, preached in A. M., in the stone building, erected for a church, and in P. M., by invitation, in the Presbyterian House of Worship. There are still a few families here attached to the church, who express a desire to enjoy her privileges.

H. HOLLIS, *Rector.*

(P. O. Steubenville.)

St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

Baptisms—infant, 4; adult, 1. Confirmations, 7. Marriages, 1. Burials, 4. Communicants—added, 7; removed, 6; present number, 52. Sunday School—children, 26; teachers, 7; catechised 6 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$18.84; appropriated as below:

Bishop's salary, \$75; Contingent fund, \$5; Foreign Missions, \$10; Do. by children of Sunday School, \$5; Domestic Missions, \$8.51; Diocesan Missions, \$65; Sunday School, \$19.35; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$10; Parish Visitor and tracts for distribution, \$10.10; as provided in rubric to communion office, \$4.24; from Ladies' Society and other sources to complete church fence, \$27—Total, \$190.20.

L. L. HOLDEN, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Dayton.

Baptisms—infant, 5 ; adult, 6. Confirmations, 8. Marriages, 8. Burials, 19. Communicants—added, 15 ; by transfer, 9 ; lost—by death, 5 ; removal, 17 ; discipline, 6 ; present number, 105. Sunday School—children, 75 ; teachers, 12 ; catechised 12 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$70.14.

Bishop's salary, \$70 ; Contingent fund, \$5 ; Foreign Missions, \$40 ; Domestic Missions, \$5 ; Diocesan Missions, \$41 ; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., \$10 ; by the ladies of the parish—for gas in church, \$150 ; for parsonage, \$100 ; parish donation party, \$200—Total, \$621.

J. B. BRITTON, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

Baptisms—infant, 4 ; adult, 1. Confirmations, 8. Marriages, 10. Burials, 9. Communicants—added, 8 ; by transfer, 5 ; lost—by death, 1 ; by removal, 14 ; present number, 84. Sunday School—children, 113 ; teachers, 16.

Communion Alms, net, \$144.

Bishop's salary, \$60 ; Contingent fund, \$10 ; Diocesan Missions, \$35.41 ; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., \$10 ; Am. Bible Soc., \$26 ; Colonization Soc., \$28 ; Seamen's Friend Soc., \$18.50 ; expended upon the rectory, \$125 ; for various other church purposes, \$134—Total, \$446.51.

I am happy to report that we moved into the Rectory early last October. Valuing the rectory lot at the price for which it could be sold, at the time at which we commenced building, at \$300, the congregation has promptly paid \$2,925 ; leaving a balance yet due upon the rectory of about \$140. This and the street tax, for macadamising the street upon which our church property is situated, now due, and amounting to \$180, are the only debts which we now owe. We hope to pay off these in the course of the next conventional year. These imperative home demands have prevented us from scarcely contributing anything to general pious objects, this year.

The Lord has been pleased to favor us with some assurances of his presence and favor in the conversion of some, the revival of religion in the souls of others, and a growing interest on the part of many in our public services. Our Sunday School is still flourishing, and promises well as a nursery of the church. With other congregations, we have suffered this year, keenly, from removals, disease, and death ; but trust that the Lord will sanctify these afflictive dispensations of his Providence to our good. I officiated, this year, four times in Grace Church, Berkshire, twice in Trinity Church, Columbus, and once in Mt. Gilead, Morrow county.

JAMES McELROY, *Rector.*

Zion Church, Dresden.

Baptisms—infant, 13 ; adult, 2. Confirmations, 16. Marriages, 1. Burials, 5. Communicants—added, 18 ; by transfer, 6 ; lost—by death, 1 ; present number, 53. Sunday School—children, 75 ; teachers, 16.

Bishop's salary, \$15 ; Contingent fund, \$2 ; Missions—Foreign, \$2 ; Diocesan, \$54 ; Sunday School, \$13 ; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. \$5 ; by S. School for Missions, \$10 ; Am. Tract Soc. \$35 ; Bible Soc. \$25.-62 ; by two members for an object in the Diocese, \$50 ; collected and expended on Parsonage, \$1,500—making in all contributed by the Parish the present year, \$1,711.62.

The Parsonage we hope to have ready for occupation by the first of April next, and will cost when complete, probably \$1,000 more. In view of what has been done and of what is now doing in the Parish, the Rector feels much encouraged in his work and labor of love.

A. T. McMURPHEY, *Rector.*

St. Matthew's Church, East Plymouth.

[See also Report of Rev. John Hall.]

Baptisms—infant, 1. Confirmations, 5. Burials, 1. Communicants—added, 5 ; lost—by death, 1 ; by removal, 6 ; present number, 36. Sunday School, recently organized—children, 20 ; teachers, 4.

Bishop's salary, \$8 ; Contingent fund, \$2 ; Diocesan Missions, \$16—Total, \$26.

This parish has been without a rector for nearly three years, but the services have been kept up regularly by lay reading, in which time the Rev. Mr. Hall visited us and performed services two or three times on Sunday, and attended several funerals. Having made arrangements with St. Peter's Parish, Ashtabula, we are now supplied with the services of their assistant minister, the Rev. Mr. Shaw, one half of the time for one year.

W. W. MANN, *Warden.*

St. John's Church, East Springfield.

Confirmations, 1. Communicants—added, 1 ; lost—by death, 1 ; by removal, 1 ; present number, 22.

Communion Alms, net, \$9 ; included below.

Bishop's salary, \$10 ; Contingent fund, \$2 ; Diocesan Missions, \$2 ; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. \$2 33—Total, \$16.33.

(P. O. Steubenville.) H. HOLLIS, *Rector.*

St. Andrew's Church, Elyria.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Confirmations, 2. Marriages, 3. Burials, 7. Communicants—added, 2 ; by transfer, 6 ; lost—by removal, 3 ; present number, 31. S. School—children, 60 ; teachers, 15 ; catechised frequently.

Communion alms, net, \$37.00.

Bishop's salary, \$5 ; Contingent fund, \$2 ; Foreign Missions, \$5 ; Diocesan Missions, \$23 ; Sunday School, \$37 ; Am. Bible Soc. \$20 ; Am. Tract Soc. \$3 ; for the improvement of Church property, \$200 ; for the poor and other objects of charity, \$15—Total, \$310.

This parish has received one-half of my public services since the first of January last. I have preached once every alternate Sunday at Oberlin.

F. GRANGER, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Euclid.

Confirmations, 2. Communicants—added, 1; removed, 2; present number, 14.

Bishop's salary, \$6; Contingent fund, \$1; Diocesan Missions, \$12—Total, \$19. JOHN DOANE, *Sen. Warden.*

Christ Church, Franklin.

[No report.]

St. Paul's Church, Fremont.

Baptisms—infant, 4; adult, 1. Confirmations, 2. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1. Communicants—added, 4; by transfer, 3; removed, 2; present number, 20.

Bishop's salary, \$7; Contingent fund, \$1; Foreign Missions, \$9; Sunday School, \$8; Organ, Church repairs, &c., \$288.48—Total, \$313.43. H. T. HEISTER, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Church, Gallipolis.

[No report.]

Harcourt Parish, Gambier.

Baptisms—infant, 4; adult, 4. Confirmations, 22. Marriages, 3. Communicants, 75. Sunday School—children, 100; teachers, 12; catechised monthly.

Communion Alms, net, \$80.17.

Bishop's salary, \$50; Contingent fund, \$6; Missions, Foreign, \$162.50; Diocesan, \$49.23; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., \$29—Total, \$376.90. A. BLAKE, *Rector.*

St. Luke's Church, Granville.

Baptisms—infant, 5; adult, 2. Confirmations, 10. Marriages, 1. Burials, 1. Communicants—added, 10; by transfer, 3; lost—by death, 1; removal, 11; present number, 67. Sunday School—children, 33; teachers, 6; catechized 4 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$2.

Bishop's salary, \$20; Contingent fund, \$4; Missions, Foreign, \$5; Diocesan, \$21; Bible Soc., \$35; A. C. U. Soc., \$30; Prayer Book, \$5; A. T. Soc., \$5—Total, \$127.

The connection of this parish with the Granville Episcopal Female Seminary, renders it very important that the regular stated services of our church be maintained.

Although we report 67 communicants as our present number, not more than 51 of them live within proper distance to be able to attend on the services of our church.

During the past year, important repairs have been made on the church, and others are still very much needed, which the vestry, with commendable zeal, are trying to make. The attendance on the services of the church has been generally good, and should the parish be able

to maintain regular stated services, the year round, the attendance would be still greater. The regular weekly prayer meetings have been well attended, and have proved seasons of refreshing and spiritual profit, both to minister and people. THOS. CORLETT, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Greenville.
[No report.]

St. Matthew's Church, Hamilton.
[No report.]

St. Paul's Church, Hartsgrave.
[No report.]

St. Mary's Church, Hillsborough.

Baptisms—infant, 16; adult, 1. Confirmations, 10. Burials, 2. Communicants—added, 10; by transfer, 4; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 1; present number, 27. Sunday School—children, 100; teachers, 20.

Communion Alms, net, \$5.62.

Sunday School, \$25; Collection for S. W. Convocation, \$18.59; subscribed for purchase of lot and rectory, and building church, \$6,000—Total, \$6,049.21.

I have been officiating in Hillsborough, by appointment of the Bishop, since November 20th, 1853, on alternate Sundays. The parish of St. Mary's was organized here December 19th, following. A lot and rectory have been purchased, and a church edifice is now building, which will probably be ready for consecration in the spring. On March 29th, I visited Ironton, Lawrence county, by request of the Bishop, held religious services, and took the incipient steps toward the formation of a parish. NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, *Missionary.*

Christ Church, Hudson.

Baptisms—infant, 2; adult, 2. Confirmations, 8. Marriages, 5. Burials, 10. Communicants—added, 8; by transfer, 7; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 9; by discipline, 3; present number, 60. Sunday School—children, 35; teachers, 8.

Bishop's salary, \$25; Contingent fund, \$5; Missions, Domestic, \$10; Diocesan, \$5; Sunday School, \$13.50; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$8; Incidentals, \$35; Tract Society, \$3—Total, \$104.50.

We enjoyed a visitation of the special influence of the Spirit during the spring and early summer, some of the fruits of which are reported among the additions to the church. The attendance upon the ministrations of the sanctuary has been better than ever heretofore, and we have felt the need of more room to accommodate our increased congregation. A subscription has been circulated, and nearly enough raised to make the necessary addition, which we hope to report as completed before another convention. Respectfully submitted.

T. B. FAIRCHILD, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Huron.

Baptisms—infant, 6. Confirmations, 6. Marriages, 3. Burials, 11. Communicants—added, 5; died, 1; present number, 24. Sunday School—children, 45; teachers, 7. I discourse to them once every month.

Communion Alms, net, \$10.

Bishop's salary, \$8; Contingent fund, \$2; Diocesan Missions, \$5—Total, \$25.

Besides the duties rendered to my own parish, I have preached at Milan, as often as circumstances would allow, and also in other places. I regret that more has not been done for the Lord and our dear church, but I hope he has accepted my poor services.

SAMUEL MARKS, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Jefferson.

[See also Report of Rev. John Hall.]

Baptisms—infant, 1. Marriages, 1. Communicants—removed, 2; present number, 11.

Bishop's salary, \$3; Contingent fund, \$1—Total, \$4.

The Rectorship is still vacant. The Rev. Mr. Hall has visited this Church several times in the course of the year. Lay reading has been suspended on account of a severe disorder of the reader's eyes, but will soon be resumed.

N. B. PRENTICE, *Senior Warden.*

St. James' Church, Kingston.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Confirmations, 1. Burials, 1. Communicants—added, 1; died, 1; removed, 1; present number, 15.

Bishop's salary, \$5; Contingent fund, \$1; other purposes, \$2.38—Total, \$8.38.

L. N. FREEMAN, }
R. S. NASH, } officiating.

St. John's Church, Lancaster.

Baptisms—infant, 9. Confirmations, 7. Burials, 1. Communicants—added, 7; by transfer, 4; removed, 4; present number, 22. Sunday School—children, 30; teachers, 6; catechised 8 times.

Bishop's salary, \$6; Contingent fund, \$1; Missions—Foreign, \$10; Diocesan, \$20; Sunday School, \$18; Sundries, \$10.62; Discharge of an old debt on the Church, \$150; Finishing and furnishing the Church, about \$2,200; of which \$625 were contributed by Episcopalians from abroad, as stated in the last report, leaving \$1,790 given by the parish during the last year. This may serve to show the liberality and good feeling existing among those who constitute this Parish. The Church was consecrated on the 26th of this month; and if the favorable location of the building, its tasteful architecture and the neatness of its furniture are any indication of future prospects, we have every reason to be much encouraged.

D. RISSEUR, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Lyme.

Baptisms—adult, 2. Confirmations, 3. Marriages, 3. Burials, 7. Communicants—added, 5; removed, 2; present number, 29.

Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$2; Diocesan Missions, \$32.40—Total, \$44.40.

Rev. R. K. Nash left this Church last Easter, since which there has been lay reading a part of the time.

JOHN CLARKE,
Senior Warden.

St. Matthew's Church, Madison.

Baptisms—infant, 1. Confirmations, 3. Communicants—added, 1; removed, 5; present number, 23.

Bishop's salary, \$8; Contingent fund, \$2; Diocesan Missions, \$18; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. \$3; Bible Soc. \$4.38—Total, \$30.38.

This Parish has suffered much by removals, and for this cause the Sunday School could not be sustained the past year; we hope, however, that it will be again revived and continued.

A. T. McMURPHEY, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Mansfield.

Baptisms—infant, 3; adult, 3. Confirmations, 11. Marriages, 6. Burials, 3. Communicants—added, 10; by transfer, 3; removed, 1; by discipline, 2; present number, 35. Sunday School—children, 76; teachers, 12; catechised, 10 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$55.50.

Bishop's salary, \$15; Contingent fund, \$4; Foreign Missions by Sunday Scholars, \$10; for Sunday School, \$13; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. \$9; Bible Soc. \$18.50; Expenses of Clergy attending Association, \$29.83; Second instalment for parsonage, with interest, \$211; towards paying \$350 arrearages incurred on parsonage and other objects, exclusive of Rector's salary (which is \$500, and organist, \$50,) \$127—Total, 427.33. (The parish has been aided by friends in Dresden and New York, in \$100—thus lessening the \$350 to \$123.)

Although, as was intimated in my last report, the pleasing indications of a work of grace among the young ripened into conversion, so that seven have been added to the communion, with six married persons, male and female, and three by transfer; the parish has since materially suffered by the removal of some, and the falling off of other families; and intimations are given us that three more are about to leave for the farther West.

With a population of 5,000 and out of these about 96 adults and 92 children belonging to the parish, the average attendance at church is, of the adults not more than 50 per cent., and of the children not more than 20 per cent.; a sad and melancholy picture; and yet our labors have been unremitting every Sabbath, as reported last year, as well as from house to house, and except through the severe hot days of the summer, the Bible class on Sunday evening, and the Wednesday evening Lecture have also been continued. I am persuaded that the attendance at Church would be very much greater but for the length of our

liturgical services: and sincerely hope the contemplated change will remedy this particular.

Thus far the members of our own parish, though few in number, have most commendably struggled against untoward obstacles to sustain it. But now, owing to the great and growing depression in commerce, and consequent deficiency of means, our few struggling friends see not, as yet, the possibility even of meeting the expenses of the ensuing year, without aid from abroad. Besides the current expenses of \$580, there will be \$222 the next and third instalment on the parsonage. Still, they do not despair. "They know"—some of them at least, by happy experience, Him that hath said—"I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." And together, we look up and say with David: "Save now we beseech thee, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech thee, send now prosperity." Ps. 118, 25. HENRY BLACKALLER,
Rector.

St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

Baptisms—infant, 5. Confirmations, 13. Marriages, 3. Burials, 2. Communicants—added, 13; by transfer, 6; removed, 5; present number, 71. Sunday School—children, 40; teachers, 8.

Bishop's salary, \$39; Diocesan Missions, \$65—Total, \$104.

In the course of this last year, God has visited us with his quickening Spirit, by whom the living received new life, and of the dead, thirteen were awakened, most of whom were young.

JOHN BOYD, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Marion.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Marriages, 1. Burials, 6. Communicants—died, 3; removed, 5; present number, 17. Sunday School—children, 44; teachers, 6; catechised 5 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$11.25.

Bishop's salary, \$8; Contingent fund, \$2; Diocesan Missions, \$4.25; Sunday School, \$5; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., \$7; Am. Bible Soc., \$17; Rector's support, \$200.

GEO. B. STURGES, *Rector and Missionary.*

St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

Baptisms—infant, 8. Confirmations, 4. Marriages, 4. Burials, 11. Communicants—added, 3; lost—by removal, 4; by discipline, 3; present number, 63. Sunday School—catechised monthly.

Communion Alms, net, about \$90.

Bishop's salary, \$50; Contingent fund, \$5; Foreign Missions, \$25; Diocesan Missions, \$75; Am. Bible Soc., \$40; Am. Tract Soc., \$50; Church in Maumee, \$40; Am. Col. Soc., \$35—Total, \$320.

EDWARD H. CUMMING, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Medina.

Baptisms—infant, 18; adult, 4. Confirmations, 13. Marriages, 18. Burials, 10. Communicants—last reported, 160; added, 14;

died, 2 ; removed, 20 ; present number, 123. (In making out a new Register of St. Paul's Parish, it was found that a large number live far from church, whose attendance is nominal, and who give no support to the Gospel and the institutions of the Church ; it was therefore deemed wrong to report them ; hence the large diminution in numbers.*)
 Sunday School—children, 35 ; teachers, 6.

Communion Alms, net, \$40.

Bishop's salary, \$27 ; a few persons for Diocesan Missions, \$28.50 ;
 Sunday School, \$10—Total, \$105.50.

The Rector, Rev. G. S. Davis, resigned his charge of this Church April 18th, but has continued his services until the present time. The Parish is making an effort to secure a parsonage, which in part will explain the small amount of contributions for the past year.

* *Query.*—Is not the above a measure of at least doubtful propriety ? Here are 29 communicants in good standing stricken from the Church Register of their nearest Parish, and of course cannot be reckoned as belonging anywhere.
 —SAC.

St. Luke's Church, Milan.

Burials, 3. Communicants—died, 2 ; present number, 19. Sunday School—children, 40 ; teachers, 11.

Bishop's salary, \$8 ; Contingent fund, 2 ; Sunday School, \$10—Total, \$20.

This Church has been deprived of the stated services of a Minister for more than a year, not because of the inability to meet the salary of one, but because no one could be obtained. Let it not, however, be understood, that although we have been without a Pastor, we have therefore been at ease in Zion ; no, a debt of several hundred dollars which hung over and endangered the Church has been liquidated through the zeal of the ladies, by contributions at home and abroad, and for this we are thankful. The Church is now free from debt, and our minds on that score are at rest.

The Sunday School is kept up and is in a prosperous condition. The doors of our sanctuary have frequently been opened and services bestowed by the Rev. Mr. Marks, of Huron. We trust that in his good time, God will send us a pastor.

Many, we fear, are lost to the Church, through the want of a minister to counsel and direct them.

A. McCLURE, *Sen. Warden.*

St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek.

[See Report of Rev. J. L. Bryan.]

Christ Church, Mt. Vernon.

Communicants, 21. Sunday School—children, 42 ; teachers, 8.
 Communion Alms, net, \$20.57.

Bishop's salary, \$10 ; Contingent fund, \$2 ; Sunday School, \$5—Total, \$37.57.

GEO. B. WHITE, *Jun. Warden.*

St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon.

Baptisms—infant, 2. Confirmations, 2. Marriages, 6. Burials, 2. Communicants—added, 2; by transfer, 7; lost—by death, 1; by discipline, 5; present number, 130. Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 7; catechised, 6 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$48.65.

Bishop's salary, \$60; Contingent fund, \$10; Foreign Missions, \$32.62; Domestic Missions, \$19.43; Diocesan Missions, 38.50; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$6.71; American Bible Society, \$21—Total, \$236.91.

JOS. MUENSCHER, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Newark.

Baptisms—infant, 6. Confirmations, 4. Marriages, 5. Burials, 17. Communicants—added, 5; by transfer, 1; removed, 11; present number, 48. Sunday School—children, 30; teachers, 6; catechised, 9 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$25.

Bishop's salary, \$25; Contingent fund, \$5; Foreign Missions, \$11; Diocesan Missions, \$5; Sunday School, \$10; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$3.50—Total, \$84.50.

F. B. NASH, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

Baptisms—infant, 2; adult, 4. Confirmations, 2. Marriages, 5. Burials, 4. Communicants—added, 3; by transfer, 4; died, 1; removed, 7; present number, 51. Sunday School—children, 30; teachers, 6.

Bishop's salary, \$50; Contingent fund, \$8; Foreign Missions, \$20; Diocesan Missions, \$30; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$12; Sundries, about \$18.40; Improvements in the Church edifice, about \$400—Total, \$538.40.

There have also been contributions to the American Bible Society, to the Western Seamen's Friend Society, and collections in the Sunday School, which did not pass through the hands of the late Rector, and the amount of which he is unable to state.

The Church edifice, after being much enlarged and improved, was re-opened on the first Sunday in last December. On the sixth of March I tendered my resignation of the Rectorship on account of an affection of the throat. The Vestry, being reluctant to accept it, laid it on the table for the present, and on the 23d of March I again tendered my resignation, and the Vestry, in very handsome terms, acceded to my urgent request. The resignation took effect from and after Easter Monday, April 17th, 1854, when I had been Rector of this parish about seven years. For some months past I have taught a Bible class in the Sunday School. During the week I am engaged in the work of Christian education, and have a flourishing select family school for girls at my residence in Norwalk.

I am happy to add that the Vestry have unanimously elected as my successor in the parish, the Rev. George Watson, D. D., late of the Diocese of Western New York. His evangelical views, ripe scholar-

ship, fervent piety, and enlarged experience, give promise, by the divine blessing, of abundant success. He will enter upon his duties in October, as the Rector of St. Paul's. During the last two months, his place at Norwalk has been most acceptably supplied by his son, the Rev. G. W. Watson, A. M., late assistant of the Rev. Henry W. Lee, D. D., of Rochester, N. Y.,

EDWARD WINTHROP, *late Rector.*

St. James' Church, Painesville.

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; adult, 1. Confirmations, 5. Burials, 1. Communicants—added, 6 ; by transfer, 1 ; lost—by removal, 12 ; by discipline, 1 ; present number, 62. Sunday School—children, 33 ; teachers, 6.

Communion Alms, net, \$21.92.

Bishop's salary, \$25 ; Contingent fund, \$5 ; Sunday School, \$9.26 ; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., \$5—Total, \$66.18.

The undersigned reports to the Bishop, that after his resignation of Christ Church, Franklin, he employed his time in missionary labors in various parishes in the Diocese. On the 9th of July last, he entered upon his duties as Rector of St. James', Painesville. The parish having had but a temporary supply for many months, was found to have done nothing for the benevolent objects of the Church. This will account for the meagre statistics embraced above, all of which small sums, except communion alms, have been raised since the present incumbent took charge. The parish has suffered exceedingly from removals, but there is an indication of life and energy among the remaining families, which we pray God to greatly increase to his own glory and our edification.

A. PHELPS, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Penfield.

Baptisms—adult, 1. Confirmations, 1. Communicants—added, 1 ; present number, 11.

Bishop's salary, \$2 ; Contingent fund, \$1—Total, \$3.

This parish has received one fourth of the public services of the Rector since January 1st. It owns no church edifice, and although we have worshipped in a school house, the attendance has always been very good. The Episcopalians here are few in number, and their means, in the aggregate, very limited ; yet, in their self-sacrificing devotion to the interests of the Church, there is reason to believe that at no distant day, they will provide for themselves a suitable place of worship.

F. GRANGER, *Rector.*

Bethel Church, Peninsula.

[No report.]

St. Matthew's Church, Perry.

[No report.]

St. James' Church, Piqua.

Baptisms—infant, 6. Confirmations, 6. Marriages, 4. Burials, 5. Communicants—added, 4; by transfer, 1; died, 1; removed, 1; present number, 66. Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 12; catechised 9 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$51.89.

Bishop's salary, \$68; Contingent fund, \$10; Foreign Missions, \$20.50; Domestic Missions, \$25.50; Diocesan Missions, \$26.90; Sunday School, \$17.56; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., \$40; Evangelical Knowl. Soc., \$5; Bible Soc., \$45.81; Tract Soc., \$16; Colonization Soc., \$4; Earnings of Sewing Society, \$75.52—Total, \$406.68. Donations to Rector's family, numerous.

CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Pomeroy.

Communicants—last reported, 46; died, 1. Sunday School—children, 70; teachers, 10.

Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$2; Sunday School, \$10.50.

We have been unable to get information on other heads from former Rector, and we have not the Parish Register in possession. The parish has had no regular service since Christmas, 1853. Since Aug. 1st, the parish has been vacant. Six hundred dollars have been subscribed towards a salary for a Rector, which sum will probably be raised to eight hundred. It is hoped that the Parish may soon have the services of a Rector. There is great unanimity of feeling in the Parish.

V. B. HORTON, *Senior Warden.*

All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

Baptisms—infant, 26; adult, 7. Confirmations, 10. Marriages, 11. Burials, 14. Communicants—last reported, 154; increased—by admission, 27; by transfer, 6; diminished—by death, 4; by discipline, 2; by removal, 12; present number, 169. Sunday School—children, 140; average attendance, 105; teachers, 18.

Bishop's salary, \$75; Contingent fund, \$10; Foreign Missions, \$10, (chiefly from the Sunday School;) Domestic Missions, \$28.30; Diocesan Missions, \$242; Tracts, \$7; American Bible Soc., \$48.32; New Orleans sufferers, \$5; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., \$57; other objects, in small amounts, \$12—Total, \$495.62.

The expenditures within the parish, including the communion offerings, (some part of which has been expended abroad,) have been about \$1400; the greater part of this sum, say \$1300, was derived from pew rents.

In the Spring, during and following our Lent services, we enjoyed, through the great mercy of God, a season of much spiritual refreshment; and our hearts were made to rejoice in the conversion, and adding to the Church of a goodly number of such as will, we trust, hold fast and prove themselves the ever faithful followers of the Lord Jesus, and be saved through Him. At present, there is nothing of special interest to report. We continue to enjoy our usual harmony and peace,

which, we hope, will prepare the way for the coming again of the Holy Spirit with further and fuller manifestations of the divine favor.

During the year, I have, several times, visited the neighboring town of Ironton, preached to good congregations, baptized several children, and organized a parish, which, it is expected, will apply for admission to the Diocese, at the present Convention.

All that seems wanting to build up a flourishing parish, in this beautiful and rapidly growing place, is, with God's blessing, a faithful minister. If any such there be, without a charge, who wants to labor for Christ, with the prospect of great success, I should be happy to prepare the way for his settlement in this promising field of labor.

ERASTUS BURR, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Church, Rome.

[See report of Rev. John Hall, p. 102.]

Immanuel Church, Roscoe.

[No report.]

Grace Church, Sandusky.

Baptisms—infant, 28; adult, 3. Confirmations, 23. Marriages, 5. Burials, 9. Communicants—added, 15; by transfer, 14; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 4; present number, 105. Sunday School—children, 100; teachers, 12.

Communion Alms, net, \$128.93.

Bishop's salary, \$75; Contingent fund, \$10; Diocesan Missions, \$52; Sunday School, \$20; Church Edifice, \$500; Mission Chapel, \$100; Collection for poor, \$88.27. S. A. BRONSON, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Springfield.

Baptisms—infant, 8. Confirmations, 9. Marriages, 4. Burials, 4. Communicants—added, 4; by transfer, 6; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 18; by discipline, 2; present number, 62. Sunday School—children, 35; teachers, 6.

Communion Alms, net, \$87.07.

Bishop's salary, \$20; Contingent fund, \$2; Foreign Missions, \$20.97; Diocesan Missions, \$50; Sunday School, about \$10; Bible Soc., \$12.71; Parochial objects, \$86.27—Total, \$201.95.

CHANDLER ROBBINS, *Rector.*

St. Thomas' Church, St. Clairsville.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Communicants—died, 1; present number, 14.

I have held morning and evening services in this feeble Parish, five Sundays during the past year, and baptized as above, three children.

H. HOLLIS, *Missionary.*

St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

Baptisms—infant, 34; adult, 3. Confirmations, 22. Marriages, 9.

Burials, 19. Communicants—added, 13; by transfer, 7; lost—by death, 6; by removal, 9; present number, 155. Sunday School—children, 110; teachers, 12; catechised, by rector, 40 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$26.80.

Bishop's salary, \$70; Contingent fund, \$10; Foreign Missions, (Ed. Africa and China,) \$50; Domestic Missions, \$26; Diocesan Missions, \$23; Sunday School, \$10; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$25.82; support of a beneficiary at Gambier, \$100; for relief of a missionary, \$50; for relief of a widow, \$15—Total, \$406.62.

INT. MORSE, *Rector.*

St. Philip's Church, Strongsville.

[No report.]

Trinity Church, Toledo.

Baptisms—infant, 13; adult, 2. Confirmations, 11. Marriages, 11. Burials, 17. Communicants—added, 15; by transfer, 12; lost—by removal, 10; by discipline, 1; present number, 98. Sunday School—children, 60; teachers, 9; catechized, 8 times.

Communion Alms, net, \$78.20.

Bishop's salary, 50; Contingent fund, \$8; Foreign Missions, \$26.10; Domestic Missions, \$24.60; Diocesan Missions, \$40; Sunday School, \$19.38; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$11; relief of John Freeman, a colored citizen of Indianapolis who was claimed and imprisoned by a Missouri slaveholder, \$20; Parochial objects, \$77.50—Total, \$354.73.

It will be seen by the above statistics, that the number of admissions to the communion nearly equals the sum of our increase; so that we have gained but little from abroad. Our city has endured a severe stunning, during the last summer, in common with our commercial neighbors, by the pestilence which has prevailed over a great part of the continent. Had not the tide of immigration which was setting in upon us in the spring been checked by reason of this, we should probably have been able to report much larger accessions to the parish.

It is a gratification to record that the numerical strength and social influence of our communion have hitherto more than kept pace with the increase of population; and it must be conceded that few stations in the Church possess a more extended field of prospective influence than this, being the centre of commercial traffic and intercourse to a large extent of country. Thus, while the past inspires thankfulness, the future is

H. B. WALBRIDGE, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Troy.

Baptisms—infant, 1; adult, 1. Confirmations, 6. Marriages, 1. Communicants—added, 7; by transfer, 1; removed, 3; present number, 33. Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 12.

Communion Alms, net, \$15.50.

Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$4; Diocesan Missions, \$4; Sunday School, \$15; building a furnace, \$20; Mission at Urbana, \$10; subscribed for repairs to organ, \$200—Total, \$278.50.

I have been officiating in Trinity, Troy, by appointment of the Bishop, since Nov. 27th, 1853, on alternate Sundays. My engagement there is now completed, and arrangements are made for securing the undivided labors of a Minister.

NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, *Missionary.*

St. Michael's Church, Unionville.

[See report of Rev. John Hall, p. 103.]

Epiphany Church, Urbana.

Baptisms—infant, 1 ; adult, 1. Confirmations, 2. Burials, 3. Communicants—added, 2 ; by transfer, 3 ; lost—by death, 1 ; by removal, 8 ; present number, 23. Sunday School—children, 20 ; teachers, 2 ; catechised, 9 times.

Bishop's salary, \$10 ; Contingent fund, \$2 ; Diocesan Missions, \$5.52 ; Sunday School, \$6 ; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., \$4.78 ; incidental expenses of parish, \$59.03—Total, \$87.28.

The Minister of the parish, since the 6th of August last, has preached twice every other Sunday at Tiffin, where there are several communicants, and very encouraging prospects for the organization of a parish. He has in addition preached on several occasions in villages near Urbana, and organized ten Sunday Schools.

N. C. PRIDHAM, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Wakeman.

[No report.]

Christ Church, Warren.

[No report.]

Christ Church, Windsor.

[No report.]

St. James' Church, Wooster.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Marriages, 1. Communicants—added, by transfer, 3 ; removed, 7 ; present number, 28. Sunday School—children, 30 ; teachers, 9.

Communion Alms, net, \$8.

Bishop's salary, \$8 ; Contingent fund, \$2 ; Diocesan Missions, \$16.86—Total, \$34.86.

The undersigned only took charge of the parish at Easter last, since which time one-third of his time has been given to Ashland, where some progress has been made towards gathering a church.

R. K. NASH, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Worthington.

Baptisms—infant, 3. Confirmations, 7. Communicants—added, 1 ; by transfer, 2 ; lost—by removal, 2 ; present number, 52. Sunday School—children, 35 ; teachers, 7.

Communion Alms, net, \$37.62, mostly included below.

Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$2; Diocesan Missions, \$36.72; Sunday School, and postage on papers, \$13.70; part of the communion alms, according to rubric, &c., \$17.85; Widows' and Orphans' Soc. \$3—Total, \$88.27.

In addition to our services every Sunday in this parish, the rector has officiated once every other Sunday, in a rural district on the opposite side of the Olentangy, five miles above Columbus, and administered the Holy Communion once there. W. C. FRENCH, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Xenia.

Present number of Communicants, 6.

This church was organized the 25th September, 1854, by the undersigned. Although in its beginning this church may be weak, still we may reasonably expect, with the blessing of God accompanying our labors, to enjoy a steady increase. PETER NEFF, Jr., *Minister.*

Christ Church, Yellow Springs.

Present number of Communicants, 8.

This church was organized the 31st August, 1854, by the undersigned. Its prospects are encouraging. A large field for usefulness is open around us. With the blessing of God crowning our labors with success, we hope to grow to be strong in the Lord.

PETER NEFF, Jr., *Minister.*

St. James' Church, Zanesville.

Baptisms—infant, 32; adult, 2. Confirmations, 31. Marriages, 7. Burials, 9. Communicants—added, 31; by transfer, 27; lost—by death, 5; by removal, 16; present number, 153. Sunday School—children, 178; teachers, 25.

Communion Alms, net, (whole amount given to the poor,) \$270.

Bishop's salary, \$95; Contingent fund, \$12; Foreign Missions, \$64.71; Diocesan Missions and Education, \$75; Do. for St. Paul's Church, Maumee, \$30; Sunday School, \$96; amount expended in completion and furnishing of Church edifice, \$5,557.85; Traveling expenses of members of Central Association, \$43.16—Total, \$6,253.72.

The Rector accepted a call to this parish in June, 1853, and entered officially upon his duties in September, following. The contributions for Church purposes within these periods are not embraced in the above statistical exhibit.

There has been a large addition to the number of Communicants. Of these a larger proportion were received by admission, than by transfer.

It has been a source of profound gratitude, of precious comfort, of strong encouragement to the Rector, that so many of the younger portion of his flock, have been led by the Spirit of God, to a willing consecration of themselves, with loving and zealous devotion to the service of Christ. In reference to these and all the members of the Church it may be said, that they have *continued steadfastly in the Apostles' doc-*

trine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. By works of practical, systematic, but unostentatious benevolence, they have adorned the Gospel of Christ their Saviour.

The number of Sunday School children on the roll is 250, of teachers, 30. But the comparatively small attendance during the summer months has reduced the average attendance as above reported.

I have officiated once in Lexington, and have visited my former parish at Warren three times, baptizing there, three infants, and administering the Holy Communion, on each occasion.

GEO. W. DUBOIS, *Rector.*

Rev. N. Badger

Reports, that since the resignation of his connection with Kenyon College, a year ago last June, he has been mainly engaged in teaching a small select family school in Gambier, and in editing the *WESTERN EPISCOPALIAN*. The avails from his school have enabled him to devote much time and labor to the paper without pecuniary remuneration. He has felt that in these vocations, he has been fulfilling the vows that are upon him, though he has not been extensively or actively engaged in the specific work of the Ministry. He believes the paper is doing good, and is necessary in promoting the best interests of the Episcopal Church in the West. And if this belief were not very decided, he would at once abandon the profitless and thankless office.

Rev. J. A. Brayton

Respectfully reports, that during the last year he has continued to be engaged in conducting a Family Boarding School for the education of a limited number of boys. Besides which, he has ministered four successive months, in all the usual services, in the parish of St. James' Church, Painesville, in the vacancy of the Rectorship of the same.

Rev. John L. Bryan

Reports to the Bishop, that he has been enabled by the Divine blessing, to do some little for the cause of truth, (as he trusts,) the past year. He has preached one Sunday at Zanesville, morning and afternoon, and at night married a couple in church. A Sunday was also occupied at Dresden and Madison, preaching at the former place in the morning and at the latter in the afternoon. The Monday after, he was conveyed, by his esteemed brother, Rev. Mr. McMurphy, to the parish of St. Mark's, Mill Creek, where he continued for three Sundays, preaching to the people and exhorting them to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, that they might be saved; as he is confident no other doctrine will ever do any spiritual good in the world. During his stay there he baptized three infants, and also administered the Lord's Supper to a small number of communicants. In addition to these services, he has preached several times at Granville, and celebrated the Holy Communion for his good brother, Rev. Mr. Corlett, who was until very lately only in Deacon's orders. Before closing this report, he thinks it due to himself to state, that his ardent desire has been, to do much more in the cause of his

Divine Master the past year, and if he has failed to do so, it has been entirely for want of some place where he could be occupied at intervals in preaching the Gospel to the people.

Rev. Richard Gray,

(City Missionary connected with Christ Church, Cincinnati.)

During the past year, when my services were not required at Christ Church, I have been actively engaged as City Missionary. I have made about seven hundred visits, and have distributed about six hundred dollars among the poor, some in fuel and the rest in money, mostly in small sums. I have written forty-six letters for persons on their own business, and have obtained situations for a considerable number. Besides the marriages, baptisms, and funerals that I have performed, included in the report of Christ Church, I have attended to some for my brethren in the City, and have generally preached twice on the Lord's day.

Rev. John Hall.

ST. PETER'S, ROME.—During eight months of the last Conventional year, I have visited this Church once a month. The remainder of the year has been spent in traveling abroad for the object which has been realized, the recovery of my health; in labors in other parishes, and in confinement at home. Besides parochial visits throughout the parish, I have performed 18 divine services in public; preached and lectured publicly 18 times, and administered the Holy Communion 5 times.

The average attendance in Church is about 60; the number of baptized persons, 24; confirmations, 2; communicants last reported, 18; lost by death, 1; increased by admission, 2; present number, 14.

Collections at communion and supplementary contributions, \$15.85; expenses, .08; \$1 to Episcopate, \$1 to Contingent fund, \$13.77 to minister. Some life, a little increase—God grant them a thousand fold more of both. The season is unproductive of the fruits of the earth to such a degree that I cannot urge them to attempt the finishing of the Church this year.

In ST. PETER'S, ASHTABULA—From August 30th, 1853, to April 30th, 1854, I performed as follows: Divine Services, 56; Sermons, 46; Baptisms—adults, 3; children, 11; Public Holy Communions, 22; Private Communions to the sick, 4; Burials—3 of children, 6 of adults—my own dear wife being buried where she died, in Norwich City, Conn. I also solemnized 4 marriages in this parish, and made many visits to the whole, and very many to the sick.

At the Offertory, collected, \$137.88; Communion expenses and alms, \$3.10—\$134.78 for the minister. \$12.50, or more, were given by individuals for missions.

The minister has long advocated the system of

1. Tithes of the net income of the people paid into the parish treasury and storehouse, to be drawn out by order of the Vestry, for the support of ministers, diocesan, parochial and missionary, according to God's order and pattern.

2. Free will offerings for other church expenses, such as building and repairing tabernacles and temples, or churches and chapels; rooms for Sunday School and other instructions in the rudiments of Christianity, with auxiliary instructions in science, literature and arts, to train up the children in the way they should go.

3. Voluntary alms sufficient for the comfortable support of the Church's poor. All according to ancient Israelitish and early Christian church practice, when not under disabilities by persecution and otherwise.

The sincerity of the advocate may be tested by the fact that, during his ministry, he has expended on these objects more than seven-tenths of the amount of all his income, and does not shrink from the prospect of having more than ever to do in the same way in future.

I sent the Bishop a tithe of the avails of my garden, \$2.18 $\frac{1}{2}$, and now send a tithe of the avails of my pasture last year, \$1.00. This year I have alms for support.

Since the accession of the present worthy Rector, last May, in assisting him, I have read service 6 times, with 3 sermons; assisted at 4 communions; baptized 1 adult and 5 children, and have received at his hand, from collections at the offertory, \$19.63.

In St. MATTHEW'S, EAST PLYMOUTH—5 services, 5 sermons, 5 baptisms of children. Alms from my own pocket, \$1.61. The compensation will be reported when it shall have been received. Funerals, 8.

In TRINITY CHURCH, JEFFERSON—Called on all the parishioners at 4 visitations; 9 services, 9 sermons, baptism of 1 child, 3 Holy Communions; collected at offertory and supplementary contributions, \$13.66, and given to the minister. This good little parish would, doubtless, profit by the services of a minister.

In St. MICHAEL'S, UNIONVILLE—At 2 visitations, called on most of the parishioners and many others at their houses; 4 services and 4 sermons in church; 1 public and 1 private adult baptism; 1 public and 1 private administration of the Holy Communion; 1 evening service and 1 sermon in a school house remote from the church; 1 funeral with burial service and sermon. Communicants remaining, 18; diminished by death, 1; increased by admission, 3; present number, 20; collected at offertory, \$1.60; expenses of cars and porterage, .68; leaving for minister .92.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. HALL, Minister.

Rev. Henry Payne.

In reporting my ministerial labors of the past year, I have to regret the continuance of feebleness of voice through affection of my throat. I would gladly be fully engaged in the glorious employment of preaching Christ to my fellow men in his Church; but, being debarred from this, I have been engaged during the year, as an agent of the A. S. S. U., in looking after the neglected, in visiting those destitute of religious teaching, in collecting the scattered disciples of Jesus, and engaging them to work in the Lord's vineyard, in the Sunday School department; and in

circulating among the people tens of thousands of volumes of religious books.

Thus, though not engaged directly in building up our own branch of the Church universal, I am nevertheless employed in spreading the common salvation, and in making known the common Saviour.

Rev. William B. Rally

Respectfully reports, that having been appointed, in December last, Missionary to the Germans of Cincinnati, he has, ever since, regularly officiated in the German Language. Besides which, he has assisted the city clergy, whenever required, and occasionally supplied the pulpit of St. Paul's Church, Newport, and Trinity, Covington, in the Diocese of Kentucky. He has delivered 23 sermons in the English language, and officiated once in French, for the benefit of a few French protestants residing in this city. By the aid of kind friends, Mr. R. has been enabled to distribute a number of German and English Tracts, Periodicals and Prayerbooks, and to assist poor emigrants with advice, sympathy and money. The work in which Mr. R. is engaged, is an arduous one, but, nevertheless, promising enough to encourage him to a full and fair trial.

Baptisms—infant, 4. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 7. Sunday School—teachers, 6; pupils, 50. Catechised, once a month, by the Missionary. Contributed by pupils for the purpose of a Library, \$10; for Diocesan Missions, \$1.

Rev. Thomas M. Smith

Reports to the Bishop, that since his resignation of the office of President of Kenyon College, he has been occupied in giving instruction in his proper departments in the Theological Seminary. He has also, in connection with Rev. Mr. Blake, regularly officiated in Rosse Chapel, has administered the communion 8 times, has baptized 1 adult, and 2 infants, and has performed the marriage service on two occasions. In addition to the above, he has officiated in St. Paul's, Mount Vernon, in Trinity Church, Boston, Mass., in St. Luke's, Portland, and in St. Paul's, Brunswick, Maine.

Rev. E. A. Strong.

The General Missionary, and Agent of the Committee on Missions and Education, reports to the Bishop, that, after resigning the rectorship of St. Luke's, Granville, he has, within the year, visited 73 of our parishes, and over 20 other important points, preaching in all 122 times. I have baptized 10 infants, and received contributions to the amount of \$2,850.08.

Allow me to add, that, while visiting more than 20 counties now without a minister of our church, my heart has often sunk within me in view of their solicitation and their need, seeing no possible present help for them. And in fact, there is none in prospect within our reach, but to cry mightily to God to raise up laborers, and ourselves to use the means more faithfully and efficiently for looking out, encouraging and

assisting, if need be, such as we may have reason to believe the Lord is now calling to his work.

With these realities before me, and the Macedonian cry for help coming up from every part of our vast western country, now in its formation state, and from every quarter of the globe, I turn with renewed gratitude and zeal to the blessed work on which it has pleased the church to send me.

I record with thankfulness, that, including those already studying, we have this year pledged assistance to over twenty young men who have, with us, devoted themselves for the work of the ministry.

I have also most cheering evidence that the members of our communion are waking up to the sacred duty and unspeakable privilege of engaging heartily in this part of our Master's work, and I feel assured that all necessary pecuniary aid will be supplied.

Rev. A. Wheeler

Reports to the Bishop, that he is living in Grafton in feeble health. During the past year he has attended one funeral, and preached occasionally—6 times.

Rev. M. T. C. Wing

Reports that during the past year he has had no parochial charge. He has preached but once or twice. Long continued ill health in part, and the engrossing nature of the duties connected with his Professorship and agency at Gambier, have prevented further engagement in this way. These duties, however, he regards as remotely, at least, auxiliary to the promotion of the Gospel.

~~The NAMES of several parishes from which there was no report, were thrown out by the printers for their own accommodation, without authority from the Secretary.~~

[Sept.]

ABSTRACT—TABLE I.

		September,	November,	1835.
		"	September,	1842.
		H. T. Heister,	September,	1850.
		Vacant,	September,	1827.
		A. Blake,	-	-
		Vacant,	-	-
		T. Corlett,	-	-
		Vacant,	-	-
		N. H. Schenck,	September,	1842.
		T. B. Fairchild,	December 19,	1868.
		S. Marks,	September,	1857.
		Vacant,	August,	1819.
		"	March 29,	1854.
		"	September,	1857.
		"	September,	1842.
		Isaac Sims, J. Milton Boyd,	December 19,	1868.
		Anson A. Brewster,	September,	1842.
		J. W. Wickham, S. P. McDonald,	August,	1840.
		"	March,	1854.
		N. B. Prentiss, A. Hawley, M.D.,	September,	-
		Elias Benton, Wilson Robinson,	September,	-
		Daniel Stifford, Thomas Oldier,	September,	-
		John Clark, Stephen Sawyer,	September,	-
		Theo. Armstrong, Robt. Armstrong,	September,	-
		Z. S. Stocking, Elijah Dietrich,	September,	-
		Aritus Ney, John Kendrick,	September,	-
		Eber Baker, S. S. Bennett,	October,	-
		Kent Jarvis, Thos. McCullough,	September,	1836.
		Andrew Young, Francis Nichols, ^t	October,	1838.
		Hannah Canfield, Whitman Mead,	March,	1817.
		A. McClure, W. F. Dean,	August,	1846.
		G. Henderson, ^t	-	1822.
		Truman Purdy, Geo. B. White,	September,	1853.
		Ebenezer Alling, David Potwin,	-	1827.
		Israel Dille, H. S. Sprague,	-	1826.
		Vacant,	September,	Before 1822.
		G. Watson, D.D.,	September,	-
		J. Muenscher, D.D.,	September,	-
		F. B. Nash,	September,	-
		Licking,	September,	-
		Trumbull,	September,	-
		Huron,	September,	-
		Lake,	September,	1836.
		Lorain,	September,	1844.
		Summit,	October,	1838.
St. Paul's,	Vacant,	"	-	-
Christ,	Portage,	"	-	-
Franklin Mills,	Sandusky,	H. T. Heister,	-	-
Fremont,	Gallipolis,	Vacant,	-	-
St. Paul's,	Gallipolis,	A. Blake,	-	-
St. Peter's,	Gambier,	Vacant,	-	-
Harcourt,	Grafton,	T. Corlett,	-	-
St. Stephen's,	St. Stephen's,	Vacant,	-	-
Granville,	Lorain,	N. H. Schenck,	-	-
Greenville,	Licking,	T. B. Fairchild,	-	-
Hamilton,	Darke,	S. Marks,	-	-
Hartsgrove,	Butler,	Vacant,	-	-
Hillsborough,	Ashتابula,	"	-	-
Christ,	Highland,	"	-	-
Hudson,	Summit,	D. Riser,	-	-
Huron,	Huron,	Vacant,	-	-
Ironon,	Christ,	A. T. McMurphy,	-	-
Jefferson,	Christ,	H. Blackaller,	-	-
Kingston,	Trinity,	J. Boyd,	-	-
Lancaster,	St. James',	G. B. Sturges,	-	-
Lyme,	St. John's,	E. H. Cummings,	-	-
Madison,	Trinity,	Vacant,	-	-
Mansfield,	St. Matthew's,	"	-	-
Marietta,	Grace,	"	-	-
Marietta,	St. Luke's,	"	-	-
Marietta,	St. Paul's,	Washington,	-	-
Marsillon,	St. Timothy's,	Marion,	-	-
Mannee City,	St. Paul's,	Stark,	-	-
Medina,	St. Paul's,	Lucas,	-	-
Millan,	St. Luke's,	Medina,	-	-
Mill Creek,	St. Mark's,	Erie,	-	-
Mt. Vernon,	Christ,	Cochecton,	-	-
Mt. Vernon,	St. Paul's,	Knox,	-	-
Newark,	Trinity,	"	-	-
Newton Falls,	St. Mark's,	J. Muenscher, D.D.,	-	-
Norwalk,	St. Paul's,	F. B. Nash,	-	-
Painesville,	St. James',	Vacant,	-	-
Penfield,	Christ,	G. Watson, D.D.,	-	-
Peninsula,	Bethel.	"	-	-
		Platt Benedict, O. Jenney,	-	-
		David D. Aiken, Henry Williams,	-	-
		Beri Andrews, Lewis Jones,	-	-
		J. H. Hill, lay reader, ^t	-	-

TABLE I—CONTINUED.

PLACE	NAME OF PARISH.	COUNTRY.	MINISTER.	WARDENS.	WHEN ORGANIZED OR ADMITTED.
Perry,	St. Matthew's,*	Coosahton,	<i>Vacant</i> ,	W. Woodward, J. Green, [†]	January, - - - - - 1822.
Piqua,	St. James',	Miami,	C. W. Fitch,	M. G. Mitchell, Wm. Scott,	- - - - - 1822.
Pomeroy,	Grace,	Meigs,	<i>Vacant</i> ,	Y. B. Horton, R. L. Winkleblack,	- - - - - 1848.
Portsmouth,	All Saints'	Scioto,	E. Burr, D.D.,	Samuel S. Fuller, Aaron Kinney, [†]	- - - - - 1818.
Rome,	St. Peter's,	Ashstabula,	J. Hall,	- - - - -	Not ascertained.
Roscoe,	Immanuel,*	Coosahton,	<i>Vacant</i> ,	W. Humphreys, J. Dodd, [†]	September, - - - - - 1848.
Sandusky,	Grace,	Erie,	S. A. Brouson, D.D.,	Z. W. Barker, E. Lane,	August, - - - - - 1840.
Springfield,	Christ,	Clark,	C. Robbins,	Wm. Coles, John Luddlow,	- - - - - 1820.
St. Clairsville,	St. Thomas',	Belmont,	H. Hollis,	- - - - -	1817.
Steubenville,	St. Paul's,	Jefferson,	I. Morse,	John H. Veirs, Andrew Bustard,	May 16, - - - - - 1819.
Strongsville,	St. Philip's,*	Cuyahoga,	<i>Vacant</i> ,	E. Stone, T. Clark, [†]	October, - - - - - 1838.
Toledo,	Trinity,	Lucas,	H. B. Walbridge,	Decius Wadsworth, Ozias Mather,	October, - - - - - 1838.
Troy,	Trinity,	Miami,	J. Trimble,	Assa Coleman, M.D., Ass Mayo,	Not ascertained.
Unionville,	St. Michael's.	J. Hall,	R. Warner, [†]	Not ascertained, but before 1825.	
Urbana,	Epiphany,	N. C. Fridham,	W. P. Slater, W. F. Mosgrove,	September, - - - - - 1848.	
Wakeman,	St. John's,*	Huron,	Cyrenius Beecher, Salia Todd, [†]	September, - - - - - 1837.	
Warren,	Christ,	Trumbull,	U. B. White, J. L. Weeks, [†]	September, - - - - - 1837.	
Windsor,	Christ,*	Ashtabula,	"	March, - - - - - 1817.	
Wooster,	St. James',	Wayne,	R. K. Nash,	September, - - - - - 1841.	
Worthington,	St. John's,	Franklin,	W. C. French,	Henry Lehman, James Johnson,	
Xenia,	Christ,	Greene,	P. Neff, Jr.,	C. E. Burr, Ezra Gilbert,	1817.
Yellow Springs,	Christ,	"	P. Neff, Jr.,	Francis Harris, H. A. Hamilton,	1854.
Zanesville,	St. James',	Muskingum,	G. W. DuBois,	Samuel Houghton, Jas. Goldrick,	1854.
				James Crosby, E. E. Fillmore,	1817.

• No report.

† As last reported.

ABSTRACT—TABLE II.

PLACE.	NAME OF PARISH.	Amount of Contributions.															
		Baptisms.	Communicants.	S. School.	Present No.	Lost.	Added.	Teachers.	Eclipsopate Contingent Funds.	Missions and Education.	Precious.	Widows and Orphans' Society.	Other Benevolent Purposes.	Total Ecclesiastic ed Benefices.			
Akron,	St. Paul's,	5	1	2	3	6	25	2	\$25 00	\$24 44	\$12 14	.....	.....	\$58 68		
Ashtabula,	St. Peter's,	21	4	11	5	10	156	15	10	161	40	7	30 00	19 12	60 00	109 12	
Berlin,	St. Paul's,	4	2	5	1	2	18	5	6	17	12	00	6 85	.....	.....	18 85
Berkshire,	Grace,	1	1	1	7	24	5	2	27	30	5	10 00	246 50	6 00	268 37		
Boardman,	St. James'	5	1	6	2	33	8	3	36	..	23 50	19 00	.....	3 00	904 22	949 72
Canfield,	St. Stephen's,	2	..	4	4	5	25	2	1	26	..	11 50	18 00	12 28	4 00	3 50	68 06
Centerville,	St. David's,	4	..	1	5	..	77	1	16	42	60	10	7 00	55 00	62 00	62 00	
Chillicothe,	St. Paul's,	16	4	20	8	5	103	19	16	106	71	13	85 00	222 76	145 00	198 00	
Cincinnati,	Christ,	53	10	22	19	32	200	30	6	201	170	20	450 00	2867 68	1093 08	112 80	
"	St. John's,	35	1	15	21	23	168	35	9	194	200	23	185 00	817 90	82 88	3710 95	
"	St. Paul's,*	..	..	19	..	..	200	..	..	+200	+40	+8	116 00	189 66	.....	305 66
Trinity,*	..	..	..	..	..	..	30	..	..	+30	..	..	..	..	..	..
St. Philip's,	..	8	2	8	2	5	60	13	11	62	40	7	43 00	41 50	1008 58	9 50	
Grace,	..	27	2	7	11	32	97	21	19	99	70	12	35 00	25 29	1162 00	.....
"	St. John's,	29	2	18	18	43	108	25	16	121	60	11	41 00	64 15	29 31	5 25	
"	St. Paul's,	15	2	11	7	20	80	35	6	109	120	18	110 00	338 85	160 20	35 00	
Circleville,	Trinity,	9	1	..	6	22	160	..	..	140	70	12	112 00	339 50	171 22	14 00
Cleveland,	St. Luke's,*	..	..	..	..	..	33	..	..	+33	..	..	9 50	.....	.....	9 50
"	St. Paul's,*	..	..	..	..	..	65	..	..	+65	..	..	..	..	..	..
"	Trinity,	15	..	16	4	10	107	21	8	125	100	18	115 00	149 15	63 00	344 00	
Columbia,	St. James',	..	..	1	1	51	4	2	53	..	25 00	21 60	3 33	4 00	3 00	671 15
Columbus,	St. John's,	4	1	7	1	4	51	7	6	52	26	7	30 00	88 51	60 69	189 20	
"	Christ,	5	6	8	8	19	109	24	28	105	75	12	80 00	86 00	450 00	10 00	
Dayton,	St. Peter's,	4	1	8	10	9	86	13	15	84	113	16	70 00	35 41	72 50	10 00	
Delaware,														259 00	446 51		

TABLE II—CONTINUED.

PLACE.	NAME OF PARISH	Amount of Contributions.									
		Receipts.	Expenditure.	Balance.	Widows' and Orphans' Society.	Other Benevolent Purposes.	Total report of Recorders.	Balances.	Widows' and Orphans' Society.	Other Benevolent Purposes.	Total report of Recorders.
Dresden,	Zion,	13 2	16 1	5 5	30 24	1 1	53 75	16 16	\$17 00	\$66 00	\$1513 00
East Liverpool,	St. Stephen's,*	1 1	5 5	3 3	25 26	1 1	25 20	4 20	20 00	16 00	2 00
East Plymouth,	St. Matthew's,	1 1	2 2	1 1	27 26	1 1	22 16	4 12	7 00	28 00	2 33
East Springfield,	St. John's,	3 3	2 2	3 3	31 31	8 3	60 60	15 7	7 00	252 00	23 00
Elyria,	St. Andrew's,	3 3	3 3	1 1	15 15	1 2	14 14	1 1	7 00	12 00	19 00
Euclid,	St. Paul's,	1 1	1 1	1 1	30 30	1 1	30 30	1 1	8 00	9 00	1 1
Franklin,	Christ,*	4 1	2 1	1 1	15 15	7 2	20 20	1 1	8 00	296 43	313 43
Fremont,	St. Paul's,	4 1	2 1	1 1	13 13	1 1	13 13	1 1	56 00	211 73	29 00
Gallipolis,	St. Peter's,*	4 4	42 3	3 3	68 68	1 1	75 16	10 16	12 00	13 00	13 00
Gambier,	Harcourt*,	5 2	10 1	1 1	66 66	1 1	13 12	6 67	33 6	24 00	5 00
Grafton,	St. Stephen's,*	2 2	8 5	10 10	16 16	1 1	16 16	1 1	16 16	26 00	70 00
Granville,	St. Luke's,	6 6	6 6	1 1	19 19	6 6	19 19	5 5	6 6	125 00	125 00
Greenville,	St. Paul's,*	6 6	6 6	1 1	16 16	1 1	16 16	1 1	16 16	1 1	1 1
Hamilton,	St. Matthews,*	6 6	6 6	1 1	15 15	1 1	15 15	1 1	12 11	12 00	1 1
Hartsgrove,	St. Paul's,*	6 6	6 6	1 1	15 15	1 1	15 15	1 1	15 15	6 00	6049 21
Hillsboro',	St. Mary's,	16 1	10 5	10 5	58 58	15 15	60 60	8 35	8 30	15 00	48 50
Hudson,	Christ,	2 2	8 6	5 6	3 11	1 1	19 19	6 6	24 45	7 15	8 00
Huron,	Christ,	6 6	6 6	1 1	15 15	1 1	15 15	1 1	12 11	12 00	13 60
Jefferson,	Trinity,	3 3	1 1	1 1	16 16	1 1	16 16	1 1	16 16	6 00	10 00
Kingston,	St. James',	9 9	7 7	1 1	13 13	1 1	14 14	2 2	22 30	6 6	2 38
Lancaster,	St. John's,	3 3	3 3	1 1	26 26	5 5	2 29	1 1	12 00	32 40	1968 62
Lyme,	Trinity,	1 1	1 1	1 1	27 27	1 1	23 23	1 1	10 00	13 00	3 00
Madison,	St. Matthew's,	3 3	3 3	1 1	25 25	1 1	23 23	1 1	19 19	10 00	4 38
Mansfield,	Grace,	3 3	1 1	1 1	25 25	1 1	13 13	5 35	76 76	19 00	9 00
Marietta,	St. Luke's,	5 5	13 3	3 2	67 67	19 19	6 6	71 71	40 44	6 6	18 60
Marion,	St. Paul's,	9 9	1 1	1 1	22 22	1 1	16 16	8 17	6 6	10 40	17 00
Meadville,	St. Timothy's,	8 8	4 4	1 1	66 66	1 1	66 66	1 1	66 66	14 00	125 00

Massons,	St. Paul's,*	18	4	13	13	10	160	14	22	123	35	6	10 00	29 00	39 69	
Meldins,	St. Paul's,	3	..	..	..	3	18	..	..	34	..	..	10 00	28 50	105 50
Milan,	St. Luke's,	2	..	..	..	2	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25 00
Mill Creek,	St. Mark's,*	2	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	21	42	8	12 00	25 67	37 57
Mt. Vernon,	Christ,	2	2	2	127	9	6	130	50	7	70 00	90 55	236 91
"	St. Paul's,	6	5	17	62	6	11	48	30	6	30	00	16 00	35 60	84 50	
Newark,	Trinity,	6	4	5	62	6	11	7	7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Newton Falls,	St. Mark's,	2	4	2	5	4	52	7	8	51	30	6	68 00	60 00	418 40	
Norwalk,	St. Paul's,	2	1	5	1	68	7	13	62	33	6	30 00	..	31 18	12 00	
Painesville,	St. James',	26	7	23	11	14	154	33	18	169	105	18	85 00	280 30	66 81	
Penfield,	Christ,	1	2	..	..	10	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3 00
Peninsula,	Bethel,*	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	14	..	..	3 00	..	..	3 00
Perry,	St. Matthew's,*	6	..	6	4	5	43	..	..	43	..	..	1 00	..	1 00
Piqua,	St. James',	8	..	9	4	4	63	5	2	66	50	12	78 00	72 90	144 97	
Pomeroy,	Grace†,	3	..	..	..	..	46	1	45	10	10	12	100 00	100 00	406 68
Portsmouth,	All Saints',	34	3	22	9	19	147	20	15	155	110	12	80 00	249 00	122 60	
Rome,	St. Peter's,	1	2	..	..	13	2	1	14	..	..	2 50	..	..	495 62
Roscoe,	Immanuel,*	28	3	23	6	9	82	29	6	105	100	12	85 00	152 00	15 00	
Sandusky,	Grace,	8	..	9	4	4	73	10	21	62	35	6	22 00	70 97	97 20	
Springfield,	St. Thomas,	3	..	..	..	..	15	1	14	..	..	..	..	..	20 95
St. Clairsville,	St. Paul's,	13	2	11	11	17	82	27	11	98	60	9	60 00	70 97	12 71	
Steubenville,	St. Philip's,*	1	1	6	1	29	8	3	33	50	12	14 00	14 00	230 50	..	
Strongsville,	St. Phillip,	..	2	..	..	1	18	3	1	20	..	..	2 00	..	2 00
Toledo,	Trinity,	13	2	9	3	27	5	9	23	20	2	12 00	5 52	68 03	87 28	
Troy,	St. Michael's,	1	1	2	..	3	21	..	..	21	..	..	..	..	..
Unionville,	Epiphany,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Urbana,	St. John's,*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wakeman,	Christ,*	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Warren,	Christ,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Windsor,	St. James',	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Wooster,	St. John's,	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Worthington,	Christ,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Xenia,	Yellow Springs,	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Zanesville,	St. James',	32	2	31	7	9	116	58	21	153	178	25	107 00	169 71	6253 72	
Miscellaneous,	..	16	..	16	4	7	29	..	..	29	50	6	..	21 58	10 00
Totals,	• No report.	561,885,645	256,459	4525,679	449,471,3271	\$2,869,000	\$7,652,16	\$23,424,54	\$445,148,506	\$32,444,444	\$445,148,506	\$32,444,444	\$445,148,506	\$32,444,444	\$445,148,506	\$32,444,444

† See Report.

† As last reported.

PROPOSED**AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.**

Proposed by Rev. Mr. Cumming, page 67: Amend Article II, by striking out of the 1st and 2d lines, the words "the first Wednesday after the 20th of September," and inserting "the first Thursday in June."

Proposed by Judge Hall, page 71: Add at the end of Article IV: "And no parish shall be represented in the Convention by clerical and lay Delegates, unless the assessment of such parish for the Contingent and Episcopate funds for the year at the close of which the Convention is held, shall have been paid."

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Wm. Wood, <i>Treasurer of Episcopate Fund,</i>	
To the Diocese of Ohio,	Dr.
For amount received from the various Parishes	
during the year.....	\$2457 00

PER CONTRA.

By amount paid the Bishop for his salary.....	\$2000 00
" " balance due last year .	427 59
" " interest on same.....	25 65
	_____ 453 24
" " balance	8 76
	_____ \$2457 00

Wm. Wood, <i>Treasurer of Contingent Fund,</i> <i>To the Diocese of Ohio,</i>	Dr.
For amount received from the various Parishes during the year	\$319 50
" balance last year.....	190 82
	<u>—————</u> \$510 82

PER CONTRA.

By interest on balance due the Bishop at last settlement..... \$ 25 65

By his bill for sundry expenses, as follows:

For traveling expenses to and from General Convention.....	\$ 28 14
" traveling expenses on Diocesan duties.....	48 10
" postage, telegraph and stationery	22 89
	<u>—————</u> 99 18

By cash paid discount on bills and uncurred money..... 4 50

" paid expenses to and from Convention	10 00
" paid postage and stationery...	5 97
" " counterfeit money	4 00
" " Rev. J. T. Brooke, delegate to Gen. Convention.....	25 00
" paid Rev. W. R. Nicholson, do.	25 00
" " E. Burr, do.....	10 00
" " S. A. Bronson, do..	10 00
" I. Thomas for printing, &c.	203 59
" assessm't Diocese by Gen. Convention	72 00

By balance..... 15 48 ————— 885 54 ————— \$510 82

WM. WOOD,
Treasurer Diocese of Ohio.

Sandusky, Sept. 29, 1854.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT WITH THE PARISHES.

NAME OF PARISH.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		CONTINGENT FUND.	
	Amount Paid.	Arrears.*	Amount paid.	Arrears.*
Akron, St. Paul's.....	\$20 00	32 00	5 00	27 00
Ashtabula, St. Peter's...	20 00	70 00	10 00	24 00
Bellevue, St. Paul's.....	10 00		2 00	
Berkshire, Grace	8 00		2 00	
Boardman, St. James'...	21 50		2 00	
Canfield, St. Stephen's..	9 00	4 00	2 50	1 50
Centerville, St. David's..	6 00	4 00	1 00	
Chillicothe, St. Paul's....	80 00	20 00	5 00	7 00
Cincinnati, Christ.....	400 00		50 00	
Cincinnati, St. John's...	175 00		10 00	
Cincinnati, St. Paul's....	116 00	109 00		30 00
Cincinnati, Trinity.....				
Circleville, St. Philip's...	35 00		8 00	
Cleveland, Grace.....	30 00		5 00	
Cleveland, St. John's....	35 00		5 00	
Cleveland, St. Paul's....	100 00		10 00	
Cleveland, Trinity.....	100 00		12 00	
Columbia, St. Luke's....				
Columbus, St. Paul's....				
Columbus, Trinity.....	110 00		†25 00	
Cross Creek, St. James'..	20 00	14 00	5 00	
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's	25 00		5 00	
Dayton, Christ.....	72 00	8 00	8 00	
Delaware, St. Peter's....	60 00		10 00	
Dresden, Zion	15 00		2 00	
E. Liverpool, St. Stephen's		6 85		3 00
E. Plymouth, St. Matthew's	16 00	2 00	4 00	
E. Springfield, St. John's	10 00	16 00	2 00	1 00
Elyria, St. Andrew's....	5 00		2 00	
Euclid, St. Paul's	6 00	6 00	1 00	1 00
Franklin, Christ.....		7 00		3 00
Fremont, St. Paul's....	7 00		1 00	
Gallipolis, St. Peter's....		5 00		2 00
Gambier, Harcourt.....	50 00		6 00	
Grafton, St. Stephen's...		15 00		10 75
Granville, St. Luke's....	20 00		4 00	
Greenville, St. Paul's....		10 00		6 00
Hamilton, St. Matthew's..		11 00		7 00
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's...		5 00		3 00
Hudson, Christ	25 00		5 00	
Huron, Christ.....	11 00	14 00	4 00	5 00
Jefferson, Trinity.....	9 00		3 00	
Kingston, St. James'....	4 00		1 00	
Lancaster, St. John's....	6 00		1 00	
Lyme, Trinity	10 00		2 00	

*These arrearages have all been stricken off by vote of the Convention. See Journal, p. 68.
\$15 of this amount on next year's assessment.

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT—CONTINUED.

NAME OF PARISH.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		CONTINGENT FUND.	
	Amount paid.	Arrears.	Amount paid.	Arrears.
Madison, St. Matthew's...	\$8 00		2 00	
Mansfield, Grace.....	15 00		4 00	
Marietta, St. Luke's.....	30 00	37 00	9 00	16 00
Marion, St. Paul's.....	8 00		2 00	
Massillon, St. Timothy's..	50 00		5 00	
Maumee City, St. Paul's..	8 00		2 00	
Medina, St. Paul's.....	27 00*	8 00	5 00*	
Milan, St. Luke's.....	10 00		5 00	
Mill Creek, St. Mark's...		5 00		2 00
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's ..	60 00	59 00	10 00	8 00
Mt. Vernon, Christ.....	10 00		2 00	
Newark, Trinity.....	25 00	109 00	5 00	30 00
Newton Falls, St. Mark's		8 00		8 00
Norwalk, St. Paul's.....	50 00		8 00	
Painesville, St. James' ..	25 00		5 00	
Penfield, Christ	2 00		1 00	
Peninsula, Bethel.....	3 00	10 00		5 00
Perry, St. Matthew's....		5 00		2 00
Piqua, St. James'	68 00		10 00	
Pomeroy, Grace.....	10 00		2 00	
Portsmouth, All Saints'..	52 00	†23 00	10 00	
Rome, St. Peter's.....	1 50		1 00	
Roscoe, Immanuel.....		17 00		5 00
Sandusky, Grace.....	75 00		10 00	
Springfield, Christ	20 00		2 00	
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas'		17 00		4 00
Steubenville, St. Paul's..	60 00	†10 00	10 00	
Strongsville, St. Philip's.	5 00		2 00	
Toledo, Trinity.....	50 00		8 00	
Troy, Trinity.....	10 00		4 00	
Unionville, St. Michael's.		5 00		3 00
Urbana, Epiphany	10 00		2 00	
Wakeman, St. John's....		8 00		3 00
Warren, Christ.....	20 00		5 00	
Windsor, Christ.....				
Wooster, St. James'.....	8 00	15 00	2 00	3 00
Worthington, St. John's..	10 00		2 00	
Zanesville, St. James'....	†90 00		†	
	\$2466 00	694 85	\$355 50	\$215 25

*Paid in part after report was made by Treasurer. †See Parochial Report.—Sec.

NOTE.—In consequence, doubtless, of the neglect of Parishes to pay their assessments until the last hour of the financial year, and the consequent haste and confusion in which the Treasurer's accounts must be closed, some errors are obvious in the above Report. They were discovered too late to be rectified here, but the balances will doubtless be adjusted in the next Report. It is highly desirable on every account that payments should be made earlier in the year.—Sec.

NOTICE.

The Thirty-Eighth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, will be held in St. James' Church, Zanesville, on Thursday, June 7th, 1855, commencing at 10 o'clock, a. m.

WILLIAM C. FRENCH,
Secretary of Convention.

COLUMBUS, October, 1854.

CONSTITUTION AND CANONS

OF

THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

THIS Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to and adopts the constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the first Wednesday after the 20th of September in each year, unless otherwise ordered by a previous Convention. But in case an epidemic disease shall prevail at the place appointed, or other like cause shall render it obviously expedient, the Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall appoint some other place, and send special notice of the same to every minister and vestry in the Diocese, at least three weeks before the time of meeting. The Bishop, with such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall at any time be duly assembled in Convention, shall constitute a quorum, provided, that in a case of vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the absence of the Bishop, such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall duly assemble, constitute a quorum, but in the latter case only so far as to adjourn to the next day, when, if the absence of the Bishop continue, the business of the Convention shall proceed.

ARTICLE III.

Any parish may be suspended from the right of representation in the Convention, or its connection with the Diocese wholly dissolved, by a vote of two-thirds of each Order, whenever the same shall be deemed conducive to the interests of the Church.

ARTICLE IV.

The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen. The Bishop, and every Minister of this Diocese canonically in charge of a congregation in union with this Convention—or employed as a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese—or regularly engaged as an instructor in any incorporated seminary of learning, or who is prevented by age and infirmities from the public services of the ministry, shall be members of this Convention, provided that they can show that they have been at least six months in the Diocese as above required. Each regularly organized church or congregation in canonical union with this Church, shall send to the Convention one or more lay-delegates, not exceeding three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united under one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. When a vote by Orders is called for, the delegates of each congregation or church, shall be entitled to one vote only. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention.

ARTICLE V.

The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may judge it important to the good of the Church, or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the continued absence of the Bishop from the Diocese for six months, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention, and shall do so, if applied to for the purpose by any five Presbyters or Vestries of the Diocese.

ARTICLE VI.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, and shall open, or cause it to be opened with prayer. If there be no Bishop present, the Convention shall be called to order by the Secretary, and shall elect a President from among the Presbyters.

ARTICLE VII.

At every Annual Convention, after a *viva voce* nomination, a Secretary shall be chosen, who shall remain in office until the next Annual Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes, and record all proceedings of the Convention; to attest its public acts; preserve its records; notify the parishes of the times and places of all stated and special Conventions, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

ARTICLE VIII.

Officers of the Convention, Delegates to the General Convention, and members of the Standing Committee, shall be elected by joint ballot of the clergy and laity, and a majority of votes shall be required for an election. In case of a failure or omission to elect any officers or annual Committee, the persons last elected shall continue to serve until others be chosen. Elections by ballot may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

The Standing Committee shall be chosen at each Annual Convention, and shall consist of three Clergymen who are Presbyters, and of three Laymen who are communicants in some church in the Diocese. The officers of said Committee required by the IVth Canon of the General Convention, shall be appointed at their first meeting. Any three of the Committee, the whole being summoned, provided one be a Presbyter, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business when convened at the request of the Bishop. At all other meetings a majority of the members shall be necessary to a quorum. It shall be the duty of the secretary of this committee to keep a faithful record of all the proceedings in a book provided for that purpose, to preserve the originals of all papers or letters addressed to the committee, to attest their acts, and to deliver to his successor all books and papers which in virtue of his office have been committed to him. The minutes of the committee, and all papers in their hands relative to the Church, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention. Vacancies occurring in the committee shall be supplied by vote of the remaining members.

ARTICLE X.

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an Annual Convention—or in a Special Convention called for that purpose at least sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the secretary of the Standing Committee to every clergyman and vestry of the Diocese. The election shall be conducted as follows: The clergy shall vote by ballot for some suitable person for the office of Bishop, and a majority of the clergy present shall determine the choice. A nomination thus made shall be communicated to the lay-members, who shall proceed to vote by ballot whether to receive or reject it, a majority of whom shall be necessary to confirm the election.

ARTICLE XI.

The clergy and lay-delegates in Convention shall deliberate in one body, and shall vote as such on all questions not otherwise provided for; except when a vote by Orders is called for by five members. In such case the concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to give validity to a measure—and on every question the votes of a majority of those present, or, if required by five, the votes of a majority of those present of the two Orders, respectively, shall decide.

ARTICLE XII.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A proposition for amendment shall be laid before the Convention in writing, and if approved, shall lie over till the next Annual Convention, and if then approved by two-thirds of the two Orders voting separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution thus altered shall be obligatory.

CANONS.**CANON I.****OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN NOT BEING A BISHOP.**

SECT. 1. Whenever any Presbyter or Deacon of the Diocese shall be thought to be guilty of any misconduct for which, according to Canon XXXVII of the

General Convention, he is liable to be tried, application shall be made in writing, with the name of every one engaged in the application subscribed, to the Standing Committee, and if it appear to them that the evidence is sufficient to demand a trial, they shall forthwith present the clergyman to the Bishop, accordingly; the presentment being made in writing, and specifying with as much accuracy as possible, the offence or offences, with particulars of time, place and circumstances; and every clergyman of this Diocese may for himself request of the Standing Committee the inquiry provided for in this section, in which case it shall be instituted and shall proceed according to the provisions of this Canon.

SECT. 2. Presentment being made, the Bishop shall cause a copy of the presentment to be served on the accused, and shall also nominate eight Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, provided that no member of the Standing Committee who may have joined in the presentment be included in such nomination. Out of the Presbyters so nominated, the accused shall select five, and notify their names in writing, to the Bishop, within thirty days after the serving aforesaid. And if he does not give such notification within said time, the Bishop shall select five, and the Presbyters so selected, shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time and from place to place (but always within the Diocese), as they shall think necessary.

SECT. 3. A written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Board shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused; and also on the Standing Committee, who by their President, or one of their number whom they may appoint for the purpose, shall prosecute the case and present such oral or documentary evidence to substantiate the accusation as they may be able to obtain.

SECT. 4. If at the time of the first meeting of the Board, the whole number be not present, then those present may adjourn from time to time; and if it shall appear improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, those who do attend, being not fewer than three, shall proceed to trial, and a majority shall decide all questions and render judgment.

SECT. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall, before the appointment of a Board for his trial, confess the truth of the facts of which he is accused, the Bishop may immediately proceed to pass sentence; if he shall not thus confess, he shall be considered as pleading *not guilty*.

SECT. 6. In case a clergyman, presented and notified as above directed, shall not appear before the Board appointed for his trial, the Board may proceed as if he were present, unless they shall see fit to adjourn till another day. And if the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear before the Board, after due presentment and notification, and no sufficient reason for such neglect or refusal be given, the Board shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, and sentence of suspension from the ministry shall pass against him accordingly; but the sentence may be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months the accused shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and receive his trial; but if he shall not so tender himself, the Bishop, in view of the acts alleged in the presentment, shall proceed, if he think proper, to pass sentence of degradation from the ministry.

SECT. 7. At their first meeting the Board shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary who shall be from their own number or otherwise, as they determine, and before proceeding to trial they shall adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party in the trial—though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

SECT. 8. When the Board proceed to trial, they shall hear such evidence as may be produced—which evidence shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses; and the examination of witnesses, and all the proceedings of the trial, shall be in public, if desired by the accused.

SECT. 9. Application being made to the Bishop by either party, setting forth, satisfactorily, that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint some clergyman or layman to act as a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness: and the party applying as above shall give to the other party at least five days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional days' notice, exclusive of Sunday, shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the

Board, and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such commissioner may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

SECT. 10. The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively; which decision, together with the evidence and an attested record of all the proceedings, shall be delivered to the Bishop, accompanied with an opinion of the Board as to what sentence should be pronounced; whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same do not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop, if satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused; in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, including none of those who sat upon the former trial, before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

SECT. 11. If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his judgment on the decision of the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in passing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the Diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

CANON II.

OF THE VESTRY OF A CHURCH.

SECT. 1. In every church of this Diocese, after prayer, there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, and not more than ten members, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. Two of these vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens; one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish, who, in the absence of the Rector, shall preside at meetings of the Vestry. In his absence the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings, attest the public acts of the Vestry, preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish, perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents belonging to the Parish that may be in his possession.

SECT. 2. In electing a Vestry, no person shall be entitled to vote who has not signed the Articles of Parochial Association, and who is not a holder or renter of one entire pew; and when two or more persons shall hold or rent a pew, they shall be entitled jointly to one vote; nor shall any person vote in a parish of which he is not a bona fide member. In those parishes in which there are no pews held or rented, or where pews are held subject to no tax or assessment, no individual shall be entitled to vote who is not a contributor to the church to such an amount as the respective parishes shall appoint.

SECT. 3. No person shall be elected Vestryman who is not a pewholder, or a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected, and a bona fide member thereof.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a minister and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of divine worship, and, in general, to act as helpers to the minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the gospel; it being understood, always, that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese. It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper—to collect the alms at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the Church is destitute of a minister—and while the Church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation, by occasional clerical services or by lay-reading, as the circumstances may permit. Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden; and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden, shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry. And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure.

(Parishes now incorporated are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their Articles of Association or By-laws.)

CANON III.

OF THE ADMISSION OF A CHURCH OR CONGREGATION INTO UNION WITH THE CHURCH IN THIS DIOCESE.

To enable a Church or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention

their Articles of Association; or, if incorporated, their Charter, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated, according to law; and further that it be made to appear that such Church or Congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop—or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from a majority of the Standing Committee—that notice was given him or them, at least one month before the Convention, of the organization having taken place.

CANON IV.
OF REVENGE PARISH.

Whenever a Parish shall so far fall in the leading objects of its organization, as to be in the opinion of the Bishop essentially defunct, he shall signify the same to the Convention, which may proceed forthwith, by a vote of two-thirds, to dissolve the said Parish, agreeably to Article III of the Constitution.

CANON V.

OF ATTENDANCE ON CONVENTION, AND REQUISITES FOR THE ADMISSION OF LAX-DEPUTIES.

It shall be the duty of all clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every church or congregation in union with the Church in this Diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the communicants of the church or congregation to be represented, and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the Wardens, in substance as follows:—

(Parishes already incorporated are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their articles of Incorporation or Association.)

CANON VI.

A LIST TO BE MADE OF THE MINISTERS IN THE PROCESSION.

SECT. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall cause to be prepared a list of the ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures or Parishes or stations as Missionaries; or of the institutions of learning duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in parishes or missions, or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only,—specifying at the same time who of any class are Deacons: but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention, immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. The same shall be appended to the Journal and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

SECT. 2. When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in the Convention is disputed, it shall be determined according to the provisions of the IVth Article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

CANON VII.

OF PARISH REGISTERS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

SECT. 1. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all the Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, solemnized by him, or in his parish by any other Episcopal Minister; specifying the names and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of the parents and sponsors; the names of the adults baptized, and also of the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of the parties married, and of persons buried; and also the time of each rite respectively. This Register shall be kept by the minister, in a book kept for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry of the Church which he serves: which book shall be called the Parish Register, and shall be considered as a part of the records of the Parish.

Sect. 2. In addition to the register above named, the minister of each Parish shall keep a list of the communicants and of families within his cure, specifying the time when the former became communicants of the Church under his charge, and whether by removal from the communion of some other Church or otherwise.

Sect. 3. Every minister of this Diocese shall, on or before the day of every annual Convention, present or send to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the condition of the Parish, according to such form as shall be furnished by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

CANON VIII.

OF VACANT CONGREGATIONS.

Whenever a parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry immediately to give notice to the Bishop.

CANON IX.

OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Convention shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, according to the provisions of the VIIIth Article of the Constitution, four clergymen, out of Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four laymen, who shall be in good standing as communicants in some church in union with the Diocese, to act as deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention; which deputies shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. And it shall be the duty of the deputies elect to signify to the Bishop, on some day at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Standing Committee, on notification from the Bishop, shall proceed to appoint as many clerical or lay deputies as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Diocese; and the person or persons so delegated, being furnished with the certificate of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, shall have all the rights of deputies elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of the deputies elect, above required, shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee.

CANON X.

OF LAY READERS.

None shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from the Standing Committee; and Lay Readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of the XIth Canon of the General Convention.

CANON XI.

OF PREPARING A REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

In order to carry into effect the recommendation contained in Canon LI of the General Convention, a committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at a regular meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop a report of the state of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

CANON XII.

OF THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

SECT. 1. In addition to the duties assigned to the Secretary of the Convention in the VIIth article of the Constitution, it is made his duty to send to the minister, or in case there be no minister, to the wardens of each parish in union with the Convention, not less than four weeks before the next meeting of the Convention, a notification of the time and place of the said meeting, together with the form of a parochial report; and a form by which to certify the appointment of lay deputies, together with the assessment laid upon the parish for the expenses of the Diocese.

SECT. 2. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention of this Diocese, as well as of any charge or pastoral letter recently published, and to the General Convention a certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay deputies.

CANON XIII.

OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

SECT. 1. At every stated Convention there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and examined by a committee of the same.

SECT. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by a person chosen by the Standing Committee, who shall continue in office until an election is made by the Convention.

CANON XIV.

OF MISSIONS AND OF EDUCATION FOR THE MINISTRY.

SECT. 1. The Church of Christ being essentially a missionary institution, and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the mis-

sonary work; and the education of young men for the ministry being absolutely necessary to the furtherance of the Gospel in the same work, it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of every minister of this Diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every member of the Church to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes, as God hath prospered him, according to the apostolic direction: 1 Cor. xvi. 1.

SECT. 3. There shall be appointed, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and eight other members—four clerical, four lay—elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee; to whom shall be committed the appointment and regulation of beneficiaries, the appointment of missionaries, and missionary stations, and the making of all appropriations of money for either object.

SECT. 4. It shall be the privilege of the contributors to designate to which purpose, and also to which branch of the missionary cause, if such be the designation, their contribution shall be applied. If no designation be made, it shall be at the disposal of the Committee.

SECT. 5. The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of the Committee when he is present; if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

SECT. 6. The Committee shall meet annually, at the place, and on the first day, of the Annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournment. Four attending members shall be a quorum; and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

SECT. 7. No beneficiary or missionary shall be appointed without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the same; which consent shall be entered on the minutes.

SECT. 8. At every annual meeting of the Committee, the Secretary of the same shall submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated; which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

SECT. 9. The Committee shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be ex-officio members of the Committee. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention may be supplied by the Committee. No moneys shall be paid by the Treasurer, but by an order of the Committee, signed by the President.

CANON XV.

OF THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

SECT. 1. Every minister shall, on or about the first day of March of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

SECT. 2. On or about the first day of September of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector, or otherwise, solicit from every householder or pewholder who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

SECT. 3. Out of the sum so received the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of two thousand dollars per annum; the sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

CANON XVI.

OF LAY DISCIPLINE.

SECT. 1. Any communicant who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the rector, may be suspended from the communion.

SECT. 2. Upon the application of any communicant not under ecclesiastical censure, to the minister of his parish, or in case there be no minister, to the senior, or in his absence to the junior warden, for that purpose, it shall be the duty of such minister or warden to give such applicant a certificate of good standing as a communicant. And no communicant of one parish shall be admitted to record as a communicant in any other, without producing satisfactory testimonials of being a communicant in good standing, to the minister of the parish with which he or she may wish to unite. But in case such minister or warden shall, in consequence of the applicant being under censure, refuse to give such certificate, he shall give to the applicant the reasons for his refusal in writing.

CANON XVII.

OF CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the con-

tิงent expenses of the Church. The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention shall be applied to the following objects:—1. To defray the traveling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the postages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the Diocese by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the Journals of the Convention, and such other documents as may be ordered by the Convention. 5. To pay the traveling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding fifty dollars to each delegate. 6. To pay the traveling expenses of presbyters attending ecclesiastical trials.

CANON XVIII.

OF ALTERATIONS IN THE CANONS AND ADDITIONS THERETO

No proposition to alter or add to the Canons of the Diocese shall be considered by the Convention, except at a stated meeting, and after one day's notice thereof, given in open Convention; nor (unless by unanimous consent) until it shall have been reported on by a committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case the same (unless negatived by a majority of the votes), shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

CANON XIX.

OF FORMER CANONS.

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

FORM FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

We whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together under the name and style and title of the Parish of _____ Church, in the township of _____ county of _____, and State of Ohio: and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and of the Diocese of Ohio.

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be called on ten days' notice. Wardens and Vestry being chosen and recorded, together with the minutes of the meeting, in a book to be thereafter kept as a parish register, a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the parish to the Bishop; which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of association, the name of the parish, with those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be taken as soon as possible to have the parish incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergyman of the Diocese, to be admitted into union therewith; for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop should be sent to the Convention, certified by the clerk of the parish.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

[The following are the items which every parish, through its minister (or parish officers, if there be no minister) is required to furnish the Bishop on or before the first day of each annual Convention:]

Name of the Parish—Minister—and Wardens.

Number of infant baptisms in the parish during the year—of adult baptisms—of confirmations—marriages—burials.

Number of communicants previously reported—increased during the year, by admission—by transfer: decreased, by death—by removal—by discipline: present number.

Average number of children and teachers in Sunday School—number of times catechised by the Rector.

Amount contributed for the following or any other purposes: Bishop's Salary—Contingent Fund—Foreign Missions—Domestic Missions—Diocesan Missions—Sunday Schooł—Widows' and Orphans' Society.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

Whereas John McCorkle and Charles Hammond, a Committee appointed on behalf of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, have, by their petition to the General Assembly, represented that a Seminary for Theological Education has been established by said Convention within this State, and in order to the more convenient management of the concerns of the said Seminary, and to the permanency of its establishment in this State, have prayed that the said Seminary may be incorporated—Therefore,

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the Right Reverend Philander Chase, now Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, Roger Searle, Intrepid Morse, Ezra B. Kellogg, Samuel Johnston, Bezaleel Wells, William K. Bond, John Johnston, and Charles Hammond, the present Trustees of the said Seminary, and their successors appointed in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of said Seminary, as now established, be, and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, in fact and in name, by the name of the "Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio;" and by that name shall have succession, and be capable in law of suing and being sued, defending and being defended in all courts and places, and in all manner of actions, causes and complaints whatsoever; and may have a common seal, and change the same at their discretion:—and by that name and style shall be capable in law and equity of taking and holding by devise and otherwise, or of purchasing, holding and enjoying to them and their successors, any real estate in fee simple or otherwise, any goods, chattels and personal estate, and of selling, leasing, mortgaging or otherwise disposing of said real and personal estate, or any part thereof, as they may think proper: *Provided*, That the clear annual income of such real and personal estate, exclusive of any lands or tenements that may be occupied by the said Seminary for its accommodation, or that of its officers or professors, shall not exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. That the present Trustees of said Seminary and their successors in office, under the Constitution thereof, as now established, or as the same may be hereafter altered or amended, shall have the care and management of said Seminary and of its estate and property, and shall have power from time to time, to sell or otherwise dispose of its estate and property, and to apply the avails thereof and all other funds of said Seminary for its benefit and advantage, as they shall deem it expedient; and shall also have power, in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of said Seminary, to make by-laws and ordinances for the appointment of professors and other officers of said Seminary, for regulating the duties and conduct of the professors, officers and students therein, for conducting its business and concerns, and generally for the good government of the same: *Provided*, That the same be not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the United States, or of this State.

Sec. 3. That this act be, and is hereby declared a public act, and that the same be construed in all courts and other places, benignly and favorably for every beneficial purpose therein intended.

Sec. 4. That the General Assembly may at any time hereafter modify or repeal this act; but no such modification or repeal shall divert the real and personal estate of the Seminary to any other purpose than the education of Ministers of the Gospel in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

M. T. WILLIAMS,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

ALLEN TRIMBLE,

Speaker of the Senate.

DECEMBER 29, 1824.

An Act, further supplementary to an act, entitled "An act to Incorporate the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio."

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio shall have power to establish in connection with said Sem-

nary, a College, and Halls for preparatory education; that they shall have the care and management of all property, which has been or may hereafter be given, or is otherwise possessed for the use and benefit of the same; and to appoint a President and Professors, and all necessary officers for the purposes of government and instruction in said College and Halls.

SEC. 2. The President and Professors of said Theological Seminary shall constitute a Faculty, with the power of conferring Degrees in the Arts and Sciences, and of performing all such other acts as pertain to the Faculties of Colleges for the encouragement and reward of learning: and the name and style by which the said degrees shall be conferred shall be that of "The President and Professors of Kenyon College in the State of Ohio."

SEC. 3. The President and Professors of said Theological Seminary shall also constitute a Faculty with the power of conferring Degrees in Theology, and of doing all such other acts as appertain to such faculties for the encouragement of theological learning; and the name and style by which said degrees shall be conferred shall be that of "The President and Professors of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio."

JAS. J. FARAN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
WILLIAM HAWKINS,
Speaker of the Senate.

MARCH 16, 1839.

CONSTITUTION OF THE SEMINARY.

ARTICLE I.

The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese of Ohio, do hereby establish a Seminary for the Education of Ministers of the Gospel in said Church; such Seminary to be founded upon donations made and to be made, in the united kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland, and in America, for that purpose, and to be known by the name of "The Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio."

ARTICLE II.

The said Seminary shall be established by the Convention of the Diocese, at such place within the same as shall be consistent with the deed of donation, executed by the Bishop of Ohio, in England, on the 27th day of November, 1823 and when once established, shall forever after remain in the same place.

ARTICLE III.

The direction and management of said Seminary shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, which shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, and of four clerical and four lay Trustees, to be chosen by the Convention of the Diocese, and to remain in office for the term of three years, and until their successors are chosen, provided that no officer of the Seminary or of any institution that may be annexed thereto, except the President of Kenyon College, shall be eligible to said Board. This article, so far as it respects the number of clerical and lay Trustees, may from time to time be amended by a concurring resolution of the Convention, and of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, so as to increase the number of clerical and lay Trustees, until the number of each may be twelve; which number shall thereafter constitute the permanent Board of clerical and lay Trustees.

ARTICLE IV.

A majority of the whole number of Trustees shall be necessary to constitute a quorum to do business. The Bishop, if present, shall preside. In his absence, a President pro tem. shall be appointed by ballot; whose office shall expire with the final adjournment of the meeting of the Board at which the appointment was made. If any vacancy shall happen in the Board of Trustees, such vacancy shall be filled by the Convention that may meet next thereafter.

ARTICLE V.

The Seminary shall be under the immediate charge and superintendence of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, as President of the Institution, and during the recess of the Board the Bishop shall be the Prudential Committee in all secular matters of the institution.

ARTICLE VI.

The Board of Trustees shall have power to constitute professorships, and to appoint and remove the professors, and to prescribe the course of study, and to make all rules, and regulations, and statutes which may be necessary for the government of the Seminary, and to secure its prosperity: Provided, that all such rules, regulations, or other proceedings, shall forever be in conformity "to the doctrine, discipline, constitution and canons of the Protestant Episco-

pal Church in the United States of America, and to the course of study prescribed, or to be prescribed, by the Bishops of the said Church."

ARTICLE VII.

If at any time the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America shall, by resolution, entered in their Journals, declare any rule, regulation, statute or other proceeding of the Board of Trustees hereby constituted, to be contrary to the doctrine, discipline, constitution, and canons of the Church, or to the course of study prescribed by the Bishops, such rule, regulation, statute, or other proceeding, shall thenceforth cease to have effect, and shall be considered as abrogated and annulled.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, shall individually, and any two or more of them, be visitants of the Seminary, to take care that the course of discipline and instruction be conformable to the preceding provisions. And it shall be lawful for any one of the Bishops, aforesaid, at any time, to institute in his own name and character of Bishop, any proper legal process to enforce and secure the administration of the Seminary according to the foundation herein prescribed.

ARTICLE IX.

The Board of Trustees, as soon as the Convention of the Diocese shall so instruct them, shall annex to the Seminary, a College, with the necessary Preparatory Schools; subject, like the Seminary, to the provisions of the 7th and 8th Articles of the Constitution, which College shall have a separate President and Faculty, the Trustees having power to make all needful by-laws, and to appoint and remove all professors and other officers, necessary to the government and prosperity of said College: Provided, that the President be appointed on the nomination of the Bishop of the Diocese, and that in case he shall not so nominate within two months after being requested so to do by the Board of Trustees, then they shall proceed to elect a President without such nomination; provided also that his Episcopal supervision and authority be understood as embracing the spiritual interests of the College and its Preparatory Schools, and that the present property of the said Seminary, whatever use the Trustees may permit the College to make of any part thereof, shall always remain exclusively the property of the Seminary.

ARTICLE X.

The Board of Trustees shall meet at Gambier, annually, on the day preceding the Commencement. The President of the Board shall at any time, upon the application in writing of one member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and two clerical and two lay Trustees, call a meeting of the Board to be held at such other time and place as he may appoint, not exceeding thirty days from the day on which the application shall be presented.

ARTICLE XI.

This Constitution may be amended by the concurrent vote of the Bishop, a majority of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, and a majority of the Convention of the Diocese.

Provided, That no alteration or amendment whatever be made in this Constitution, whereby the funds of the Seminary, raised in England, be appropriated to any other use than the education and theological instruction of students for the ministry in the Protestant Episcopal Church. This proviso, however does not preclude the lawfulness and constitutionality of annexing a College to the Seminary; and making provision so far as practicable, for the admission of other students, at their own expense, to the benefit of a College education.

EPISCOPATE FUND.

An Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio.

Sec 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio. That Benjamin Gardiner, John Mathews, and John C. Wright, and their successors in office, be, and they are hereby created a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, by which name they shall be, and are hereby made capable of receiving, holding and disposing of any estate, real or personal,

which may be in them invested, for the support and maintenance of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church within the Diocese of Ohio, and by which name they may sue and be sued, and in relation to the property in them invested do and perform every act necessary for the receiving, safe keeping, using and disposing of the same to the best advantage : Provided, that the actual value of the property invested as aforesaid, shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, nor the annual income therefrom fifteen hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio, shall be elected triennially by the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, and shall continue until their successors are duly appointed ; and this corporation shall at all times be subject to be altered, new-modeled, or repealed, as the General Assembly may deem useful ; Provided, that no alteration, modification or repeal, shall divert the use of said fund from its original destination, which is hereby declared to be making provision for the support of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio.

January 24th, 1821.

RESOLUTIONS OF A PERMANENT NATURE.

Resolved, As the sense of this Convention, that all sports arising from severe, and cruel exercises, imposed upon animals of the brute creation, besides their evil tendency, in a moral point of view, are inconsistent with the humane precepts and doctrines of Christianity ; and ought not to be, in any manner, countenanced by the members of a Christian Church. And, as theatrical amusements, besides that they are frequently coarse, and indelicate, tend rather to excite the feelings, and inflame the imagination, than to enlighten the mind, in matters of vital concern, or to correct the evil passions of the heart ; they cannot, therefore, supply anything proper for Christian improvement, and ought not to be frequented, especially by communicants.—*Passed June, 1821.*

Whereas, The practice of mixing in the fashionable amusements of the world, is inconsistent with the principles of Christianity, and has a direct tendency to check the progress of vital religion : Therefore,

Resolved, As the sense of this Convention, that it be earnestly recommended to the members of the Church, to abstain from frequenting BALLS, and other places of vain amusement ; and that they likewise use their influence with their families and dependents, to induce them to abandon such practices.—*Passed June, 1825.*

Resolved, As the opinion of this Convention, and they strongly recommend it to all the members of their communion throughout the Diocese, not only that daily family prayer should be established in each family, but also that as a means of keeping alive and increasing a spirit of piety in the hearts of our members, measures be taken wheresoever practicable, to assemble themselves together for the purpose of religious worship, at least one evening in every week.—*Passed September, 1831.*

Resolved, That whereas the worship of Almighty God in daily prayer, together with the reading of the Scriptures, has always been considered the duty of a Christian ; this Convention do therefore earnestly and affectionately recommend that every family in the Church of which they are the representatives, observe and practice this pious custom.—*Passed September, 1834.*

Resolved, That this Convention consider it the duty of every Parish to be represented in this Convention, and that the expenses of the Clergy should be paid by the Parishes respectively.—*Passed November, 1835.*

Resolved, 1. That this Convention anew express their hearty recognition of the great principles on which the Missionary organization of our Church is based, viz : that under God the conversion of the world is the legitimate and proper duty of the Church, and that every member of the same is bound by his connexion with it to aid in this holy enterprise to the utmost of his ability.

Resolved, 2. That the success with which it has pleased God to crown the labors of the Board of Missions, its Committees and Secretaries, is an abundant cause of thanksgiving on the part of the Church, and offers the highest encouragement to renewed zeal, diligence, effort and prayer in the exalted work of sending the Gospel into all lands.

Resolved, 3. That as a body and as individuals we pledge ourselves to sustain, as far as God shall give us the ability, the efforts which the Board of Missions

are making in the discharge of the weighty trust confided to them; and that we most earnestly commend the cause to the efforts and contributions, and above all to the prayers of the Churches in our Diocese.

Resolved, 4. That it be recommended to the clergy and laity as a most important matter, to promote the circulation of the publication entitled the "Spirit of Missions," in their respective parishes, since the diffusion of missionary intelligence is absolutely necessary to awaken and cherish the proper feelings of interest in the missionary work.

Resolved, 5. That it be recommended to the clergy of the several parishes to adopt as soon as practicable, *systematic measures* for obtaining contributions in aid of the funds of the Domestic and Foreign Mission Society.—*Passed Sept., 1836.*

Resolved, 1. That the common excuses, such as want of time, the article of expense, the anxiety to reach home, &c., which are usually urged to justify Sunday traveling, are almost always invalid, and such as most men would blush to urge in justification of violating any other command of the moral law.

Resolved, 2. That the Clergy and Laity of this Church use their special efforts to promote, the former by preaching, and both, by example and influence and conversation, the more conscientious observance of the 41st Canon of the General Convention, which reads thus : "All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation."

Resolved, 3. That it be recommended to the clergy to bring the subject before the minds of the people on the twentieth Sunday after Trinity.—*Passed September, 1836.*

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to report quarterly through the diocesan paper, the amount of money received by him for the Episcopate fund, and from whence received.—*Passed Sept. 1811.*

Resolved, That the expenses of the Treasurer in going to and from the Convention, be paid out of the Treasury of the Diocese.—*Passed Sept. 1841.*

Resolved, That it be recommended to the several members of the Church in this Diocese to adopt the plan of systematic charity recommended by St. Paul, to lay by in store on the first day of the week, as God hath prospered them, for this, and other benevolent objects.—*Passed September, 1842.*

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Clergy and Parishes of this Diocese, that united prayer be offered at stated monthly meetings for the extension and success of missions.—*Passed September, 1842.*

Resolved, 1. That a sermon on the claims of the Holy Ministry upon young men be preached annually before this Convention, at such time and by such clergyman as the Bishop shall appoint.

Resolved, 2. That the Clergy of this Diocese be recommended to bring before their congregations at least once a year the claims of the ministry upon young men, and at the same time pressing upon the people the claims of those young men for support while pursuing their studies preparatory to the work of the ministry.—*Passed September, 1842.*

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention, the duty of the catechetical instruction of the baptized children of the Church is one which ought to receive the diligent attention of every parochial clergyman in the Diocese.—*Passed September, 1842.*

Resolved, That, in the judgment of this Convention, it is the solemn duty of every true and consistent Protestant Episcopal Churchman, to oppose, in every appropriate position, and by all proper means, all the essential and distinguishing features of that system of error which is known by the name "Tractarianism."—*Passed September, 1847.*

Resolved, 1. That it be earnestly recommended to every parish in the Diocese, where it has not already been done, to adopt some plan of regular, stated, systematic contribution for missionary objects.

Resolved, 2. That it be also earnestly recommended to the clergy and parishes of the Diocese, to make a remittance to the Missionary and Education Committee, at least once a quarter, say on the first of the months of January, April, July and October.

Resolved, 3. That it be also earnestly recommended to the clergy and parishes of the Diocese, to forward all moneys collected for domestic missions to the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, with the understanding that if there should be more than enough to supply the wants of the Diocese, the surplus shall be forwarded by the committee to the Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic committee in New York.

Resolved, 4. That it be recommended to individuals and parishes, as far as practicable, to assume the support of beneficiaries preparatory to the work of the Holy Ministry.—*Passed September, 1847.*

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocese be instructed to pay the Secretary of its Convention fifty dollars annually, as a remuneration for the discharge of the duties of his office.—*Passed September, 1847, but never acted upon.*

Resolved, That this Convention do recommend the "Western Episcopalian" to the patronage of the Diocese; and the several members, both clerical and lay, are requested to use their exertions to increase its circulation.—*Passed Oct. 1849.*

Resolved, That hereafter the Clerical Reports, in addition to the other statistics, give the names of the Wardens of each Parish for the time being.—*Passed September, 1850.*

Whereas, it seems to this Convention both just and expedient that it should do all it can for the permanent and efficient promotion and well-being of the only Educational Institution of the Diocese—Kenyon College; Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we deeply feel, and sincerely deplore the spirit of apathy that has evidently rested upon the minds of too many to whom the institution has a right to look for warm approval and vigorous aid.

Resolved, 2. That under its present regimen, we believe that our educational wants, as a denomination, can be fully met, and our just wishes consummated.

Resolved, 3. That the Clergy of this Diocese do renewedly pledge themselves to each other, and to the authorities of Kenyon College, that, under the blessing of Heaven, and with the counsel of their respected Diocesan, they will make all laudable exertions for the accomplishment of the end herein proposed.

Resolved, 4. That the hearty coöperation of every layman, especially those whose ample pecuniary means and advantageous position in society evidently give them peculiar ability, is respectfully solicited.—*Passed September, 1851.*

Resolved, 1. That it is the duty of each baptized person in the Church to contribute towards the support and extension of Diocesan Missions and Education.

Resolved, 2. That the Rectors and Ministers of the Parishes of this Diocese be affectionately and earnestly requested, within a reasonable time after adjournment, in person or by others, to call upon all the members of their congregations to contribute statedly, according to their ability, to this object.

Resolved, 3. That it be recommended to the Rectors of Parishes to introduce the plan of weekly contributions to Diocesan Missions, according to the Scriptural requirement.—*Passed September, 1851.*

Resolved, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby directed not to bring forward the arrearages due the Bishop, in his current account, from year to year, but to state the amount of arrearages, and when such arrearages accrued, and add the interest thereon.—*Passed September, 1851.*

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' SOCIETY.

The Ninth Annual Meeting of the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Children of Deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Ohio, was holden in Grace Church, Sandusky City, on the morning of September 29th, 1854. The Rt. Rev. Bishop McIlvaine, ex officio President of the Society, took the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The Rev. Dr. Muenscher, Secretary of the Society, submitted his annual report, as follows, which, on motion, was accepted:

Secretary's Ninth Annual Report.

At the close of its ninth year, our Society has cause for renewed thankfulness, on account of the prosperity which continues to attend its course. Like the gentle rivulet, pursuing, from year to year, its quiet and unobtrusive way, it has been gaining confidence and increasing its power for extensive and permanent good. The Society has not been less favored the past year, than during any previous year since its organization. Its funds, at the close of the last fiscal year, consisted of premium notes, bonds, and other securities, amounting to \$5,250.63, and cash \$1,221.51—Total, \$6,472.14. These now amount, according to the Treasurer's report, to be submitted, to \$7,478.09, showing, notwithstanding the cancelling of more than \$400 of the premium notes by collections, a net increase of \$1,005.95. The property of the Society now consists of the following items:

Eleven shares Mechanics' Bank Stock, New York....	\$ 217 80
Knox Co. 6 per cent. Bonds.....	2,000 00
Knox Co. 7 per cent. Bonds.....	1,300 00
Mississippi and Milwaukee Railroad 10 per cent. Bond	1,000 00
Notes, chiefly Premium Notes, not bearing interest....	2,122 46
Cash in hands of Treasurer and temporary loan	837 83

Total.....\$7,478 09

Five new members have been added to the Society, during the past year, viz : C. S. Doolittle, J. E. Ryan, A. D. Benedict, E. C. Benson, and E. W. Syle. Two have withdrawn their membership, viz : Henry L. Richards, and C. C. Townsend. One highly esteemed brother, the Rev. Mark Richard Jukes, has been suddenly cut down by the hand of death, at the post of duty and in the prime of his ministerial usefulness, leaving six orphan children, to claim our sympathy and our aid. The present number of members is 67. Of these 44 now reside in this Diocese, 3 in the Diocese of New York, 2 in the Diocese of Western New York, 2 in Pennsylvania, 3 in Virginia, 1 in Maryland, 1 in Mich-

igan, 1 in Indiana, 2 in Illinois, 5 in Wisconsin, and 1 lately in China. There is due to the surviving children of the Rev. A. F. Dobb, an annuity of \$75, not yet called for. An annuity of \$50 will also fall due during the ensuing year to the surviving children of the late Rev. M. R. Jukes, his premium note having been generously cancelled, by collection, from Christ Church, Cincinnati; so that the claims on the Treasury, for the payment of annuities, will amount, during the ensuing year, to \$200. In view of this fact, it is submitted to the consideration of the Society, whether, instead of appropriating so large a portion of our annual receipts to the payment of annuities, while our funds remain so limited, it would not be advisable to lay an assessment of 10 per centum on the premium notes, for the year ensuing, in addition to the regular annual subscription, and payable, in each individual case, at the same time with that.

Parochial contributions have been received since the last report of the Treasurer, from 27 churches within the Diocese of Ohio, and from 2 churches in the Diocese of New York. The sum obtained from this source, including the collection at Convention in Delaware, is \$629.49, which exceeds that of the previous year, by \$230.50. The following are the contributing parishes: St. Paul's, Medina, Christ Church, Dayton, St. Peter's, Delaware, St. John's, Worthington, St. James', Piqua, St. James', Boardman, St. Stephen's, Canfield, Zion Church, Dresden, St. Matthew's, Madison, St. Andrew's, Elyria, Trinity Church, Troy, St. Paul's, Norwalk, St. John's, Ohio City, Grace Church, Pomeroy, Christ Church, Hudson, Trinity Church, Newark, Christ Church, Cincinnati, St. John's, Troy, (N. Y.) St. Paul's, Chillicothe, St. Paul's, Marion, St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, Grace Church, Mansfield, Christ Church, Brooklyn (N. Y.) St. James', Cross Creek, St. John's, East Springfield, St. Paul's, Cleveland, All Saints', Portsmouth, St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, Rosse Chapel, Gambier.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary.*

MOUNT VERNON, Sept. 21, 1854.

The Treasurer's Report was then read by the Secretary, and, on motion, accepted.

Rev. Dr. BURR moved the resolution that an assessment of 10 per centum be laid on the premium notes, to meet the annuities of the current year. This resolution, after some discussion, was negatived. The Society then adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock, a. m., to-morrow.

SEPTEMBER 30, 1854,
8 o'clock, a. m. }

The Society met in Grace Church, pursuant to adjournment, Bishop McILVAINE in the chair.

The Secretary called the attention of the Society to the subject of an endowment for the establishment of an Orphan Asylum, in Ohio, primarily for the support and education of orphan children of deceased

clergymen of the Church, and then, as far as circumstances will permit, of the orphan children of pious lay members of the church; whereupon, the Rev. Mr. Cumming moved that a committee of three be appointed to take the subject of the establishment and endowment of an Orphan Asylum into consideration, and report at the next meeting of the Society. The resolution was adopted. The President appointed on the committee Rev. Mr. Cumming, Rev. Dr. Claxton, and Rev. Dr. Bronson. On motion of Rev. Mr. Cumming, the Secretary was added to the committee.

On motion,

Resolved, That the parochial clergy belonging to the Society, whether resident within or without the Diocese of Ohio, be earnestly requested to take up a collection, in its behalf, during the ensuing year.

The Society then proceeded to the choice of officers for the year ensuing, when the following persons were duly elected:

Rt. Rev. C. P. McILVAINE, D.D., President, (*ex officio.*)

Rev. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D., Secretary.

GEORGE BROWNING, Esq., Treasurer.

On motion, the Society adjourned *sine die*.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

*The Clergy Widows' and Orphans' Society in Account with
GEORGE BROWNING, Treasurer.*

	Dr.	NOTES, ETC.	CASH.
1853.			
Sept.	To G. S. Davis, off premium note,	- - - - -	\$7 00
	J. B. Britton, "	- - - - -	2 50
	J. McElroy, "	- - - - -	6 06
	W. C. French, "	- - - - -	6 00
	L. Burton, "	- - - - -	8 37
	A. T. McMurphy, "	- - - - -	1 00
	T. B. Dooley, "	- - - - -	1 59
	A. Clark, "	- - - - -	9 00
	C. C. Townsend, note given up,	- - - - -	50 00
	Cash paid postages,	- - - - -	37
Oct.	Cash paid Knox Co. bond,	- - - - -	95 06
	H. L. Richards, note given up,	- - - - -	24 28
Nov.	T. B. Fairchild, note,	- - - - -	3 00
Dec.	Cash paid Knox Co. 7 per cent bonds,	- - - - -	955 97
Feb.	Cash paid for printing report,	- - - - -	6 00
1854.	Sundry postages,	- - - - -	2 80
	F. B. Nash, off premium note,	- - - - -	2 00
	Richard Gray, in full do.	- - - - -	30 87
	A. Phelps, off premium note,	- - - - -	28 71
	R. Gray, note,	- - - - -	3 00
	A. T. McMurphy, in full premium note,	- - - - -	14 00
March	Cash paid for Knox Co. 7 per cent bond,	- - - - -	100 00
	" " " " and interest,	- - - - -	201 17
	Edward Winthrop, off premium note,	- - - - -	10 00
	Sundry postages,	- - - - -	26
April	E. Winthrop, in full of premium note,	- - - - -	2 00
	L. N. Freeman, in full of do	- - - - -	17
July	L. L. Holden, off premium note,	- - - - -	10 00
	Postages,	- - - - -	05
Aug.	E. H. Canfield, full of premium note,	- - - - -	50 00
	H. Blackaller, off premium note,	- - - - -	9 00
	Cash paid for Knox Co. 6 per cent. bond,	- - - - -	93 50
Sept.	Humphrey Hollis, off premium note,	- - - - -	3 33
	R. B. Claxton, "	- - - - -	32 00
	M. R. Jukes, in full of premium note,	- - - - -	50 00
	Erastus Burr, in full "	- - - - -	28 00
	Alfred Blake, note paid,	- - - - -	11 16
	J. Muenscher, off premium note,	- - - - -	3 71
	J. Rice Taylor, "	- - - - -	14 84
	Sundry postages,	- - - - -	54
	Balance in hands of Treasurer, as per report,	\$421 53	\$1,549 66
	carried to new account,	\$6,640 26	837 83
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		\$7,061 79	\$2,387 49

The following sums were received after the foregoing report was closed:

From Parochial Collections—St. Paul's church, Steubenville, \$25.82; Epiphany church, Urbana, \$4.72; St. John's church, Cleveland, \$5.25; St. Peter's church, Delaware, \$10; St. James' church, Painesville, \$5; St. Stephen's church, Canfield, \$4; Christ church, Dayton, \$10; Trinity church, Newark, \$5; Trinity church, Toledo, \$11; St. James' church, Piqua, \$40.

From Members—Abr. Wheeler, \$7; Alvah Guion, \$3; J. E. Ryan, \$3; Peter Neff, Jr., \$3; M. T. C. Wing, \$3; E. H. Cumming, \$3; Lawson Carter, \$3; James McElroy, \$3; D. Risser, \$3; W. R. Nicholson, \$3; Ed. Winthrop, \$3; Alfred Blake, \$3; Henry Payne, \$3; W. C. French, \$3; H. B. Walbridge, \$3; C. P. McIlvaine, \$3; W. A. Smallwood, \$3; J. L. Bryan, \$3; R. S. Nash, \$3; D. W. Tolford, \$5; Intrepid Morse, \$3.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

*The Clergy Widows' and Orphans' Society in Account with
GEORGE BROWNING, Treasurer.*

1853.	Cn.	NOTES, ETC.	CASH.
Sept.	By balance of old account, -	\$5,250 63	\$1,221 51
	By collection, St. Paul's church, Medina, -	-	10 00
	By collection, Christ church, Dayton, -	-	5 00
	By collection, St. Peter's, Delaware, -	-	6 00
	By collection, St. John's, Worthington, -	-	9 00
	By collection, St. James', Piqua, -	-	14 00
	By collection, St. James', Boardman, -	-	5 15
	By collection, St. Stephen's, Canfield, -	-	4 25
	By collection, Zion church, Dresden, -	-	2 00
	By collection, St. Matthew's, Madison, -	-	2 00
	By collection, St. Andrews', Elyria, -	-	9 00
	By collection, Trinity church, Troy, -	-	3 10
	By collection, St. Paul's, Norwalk, -	-	3 00
	By collection, St. John's, Ohio City, -	-	11 37
	By collection, Grace church, Pomeroy, -	-	4 59
	By H. B. Walbridge, \$640; G. B. Perry, \$3; J. L. Bryan, \$3; W. R. Nicholson, \$3; E. H. Cumming, \$3; C. B. Stout, \$3; J. McElroy, \$3.10; M. R. Jukes, \$3; C. C. Townsend, \$3; C. W. Fitch, \$3; R. B. Claxton, \$3; L. L. Holden, \$3; L. Carter, \$3; E. Burr, \$3; A. Blake, \$3; E. A. Strong, \$1; A. Phelps, \$3; I. Morse, \$3,	-	55 50
	By J. T. Brooke, \$3; R. S. Nash, \$3; G. W. DuBois, \$3; A. Clark, \$0.06;	-	9 06
	By C. S. Doolittle, -	50 00	3 00
	By J. E. Ryan, -	50 00	3 00
	By Collection at Convention, St. Peter's, Delaware, -	-	59 23
Oct.	By Knox Co. Bond, 6 per cent., -	100 00	
Nov.	By Mechanics' Bank, dividend, -	-	9 90
	By Mechanics' Bank, dividend, -	-	9 90
	By interest on loan, -	-	3 05
	By collection, Christ church, Hudson, -	-	8 00
Dec.	By Knox Co. 7 per cent. Bonds, -	1,000000	
Jan.	By Coupons Knox Co. Bonds, 6 per cent., -	-	108 00
1854.	By Coupons Knox Co., Bonds, 7 per cent., -	-	70 00
	By exchange on same, -	-	70
	By Coupon Mississippi and Milwaukee R. R. Bonds, -	-	50 25
Feb.	By Rev. N. Badger, \$3; C. P. McIlvaine, \$3,	-	6 00
	By collection, Trinity church, Newark, -	-	5 00
	By Thomas M. Smith, \$3; D. A. Tyng, \$3,	-	6 00
	By collection, Christ church, Cincinnati, -	-	80 00
	By A. D. Benedict, -	50 00	3 00
March.	By Knox Co. Bond, 7 per cent., -	100 00	
	By 2 Knox Co. Bonds, 7 per cent., -	200 00	
	By cash, interest on loan, -	-	7 43
	By Rev. E. Lounsbury, -	-	3 00
	By collection, St. John's church, Troy, N. Y., -	-	19 00
	By M. T. C. Wing, \$3; R. K. Mead, \$3,	-	6 00
	By Rev. E. Syle, -	-	53 00
	By S. A. Bronson, \$3; G. D. Gillespie, \$3,	-	6 00
	By collection, St. Paul's, Norwalk, -	-	10 00
	By Rev. Anson Clark, -	-	3 00
April.	By cash balance premium note, E. Winthrop, -	-	2 00
	By collection, St. Paul's, Chillicothe, -	-	20 00
	By Rev. A. Blake, note, -	-	11 16
June.	By Rev. George Denison, -	-	3 06
	By John Uifford, \$3; H. Blackaller, \$3,	-	6 00
July.	By Coupon, Mississippi and Milwaukee R. R. Bonds, \$3.38;	-	50 00
	By G. B. Sturges, \$3.38; L. L. Holden, \$13,	-	16 38
July.	By collection, St. Paul's, Marion, -	-	7 00

TREASURER'S REPORT—*Continued.* 1

1853.	Cr.	NOTES, ETC.	CASH.
July.	By collection, St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,	- -	10 00
Aug.	By collection, Grace church, Mansfield,	- -	9 00
	By collection, Christ church, Brooklyn, N. Y.,	- -	63 96
	By collection, St. James', Boardman,	- -	3 00
Sept.	By Knox Co. Bond,	- - -	100 00
	By Knox Co. Bond,	- - -	100 00
	By collection, St. James', Cross Creek,	- -	4 00
	By collection, St. John's, E. Springfield,	- -	2 33
	By dividend, Mechanics' Bank,	- -	9 90
	By collection, St. Paul's, Cleveland,	- -	35 00
	By Wm. Sparrow, \$3; E. Burr, \$3,	- -	6 00
	By collection, Christ church, Cincinnati,	- -	112 80
	By collection, All Saints', Portsmouth,	- -	57 00
	By Rev. Edward C. Benson,	- -	50 00
	By collection, St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,	- -	6 71
	By collection, Rosse chapel, Gambier,	- -	29 00
	By C. B. Stout, \$3; John Swan, \$3,	- -	6 00
	By interest on temporary loans,	- - -	18 36
			\$7,061 79 \$2,387 49

MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY.

1845.

Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D.D., D.C.L.
 *Rev. Alex. F. Dobb,
 " E. H. Canfield,
 " Thos. B. Fairchild,
 " Wm. A. Smallwood, D.D.,
 " Alanson Phelps,
 " Erastus Burr, D.D.,
 ††" Richard S. Killen,
 " James B. Britton,
 † Chauncey Colton, D.D.,
 " Alvah Guion,
 " L. L. Holden,
 " Joseph Muenscher, D.D.,
 " Henry Payne,
 " Charles B. Stout,
 " Abraham Wheeler,
 " Edward Winthrop.

1846.

" S. A. Bronson, D.D.,
 " J. T. Brooke, D.D.,
 " Alfred Blake,
 " Norman Badger,
 " J. L. Bryan,
 " G. S. Davis,
 " George Denison,
 " L. N. Freeman,
 " Wm. C. French,
 " Richard Gray,
 " Humphrey Hollis,
 " Ed. Lounsberry,
 " A. T. McMurphy,
 † Henry L. Richards,
 " Thos. M. Smith, D.D.,
 " George B. Sturges,
 † C. C. Townsend,
 " M. T. C. Wing, D.D.

1847.

" E. Boyden,
 ** Abraham Bronson,
 " Chauncey W. Fitch,
 " Richard K. Mead,
 " G. B. Perry, D.D., LL.D.,
 " J. Rice Taylor.

1848.

Rev. W. W. Arnett,
 " R. Bethell Claxton, D.D.,
 " Thomas B. Dooley.
 1849.
 " Lewis Burton,
 " R. S. Nash,
 † K. J. Stewart,
 " David W. Tolford,
 " Lloyd Windsor.
 1850.
 " Anson Clark,
 " Edw. H. Cumming,
 † Charles Dresser,
 " G. W. DuBois,
 " G. D. Gillespie,
 " S. Y. McMasters, LL.D.,
 " Intrepid Morse,
 " F. B. Nash,
 " Wm. R. Nicholson,
 " H. B. Walbridge.
 1851.
 " H. N. Bishop,
 " Henry Blackaller,
 " T. Jarvis Carter,
 " Erastus A. Strong,
 " John Swan,
 " Geo. Thompson.
 1852.
 " Lawson Carter,
 " John W. Clark,
 ** M. R. Jukes,
 " James McElroy,
 " Dudley A. Tyng.
 1853.
 " A. D. Benedict,
 " C. S. Doolittell,
 " J. E. Ryan,
 " Wm. Sparrow, D.D.
 1854.
 " E. C. Benson,
 " Edward W. Syle,
 " Peter Neff, Jr.,
 " Daniel Risser.

* Deceased.

† Withdrawn.

FUNDAMENTAL LAWS OF THE SOCIETY.

1. Any Clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States may be a member of this Corporation and entitled to all its privileges, provided he deposits with the Treasurer a premium note for \$50, not bearing interest, and pays annually the sum of \$3 to the Society. The first annual payment is to be made at the time of giving the premium note.

2. The premium notes shall constitute a reserved fund, subject to requisition from time to time, to supply any deficiencies which may arise in the available means of the Society, for the payment of annuities.

3. A failure to make the annual payments when they become due, or to answer a call for an assessment on the premium notes, shall subject the delinquent to a penalty of $12\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. per annum on the amount due and unpaid: and at the expiration of three years, should such delinquency continue, his beneficial interest in the institution shall be forfeited.

4. The beneficial interest of a member shall not commence until the expiration of one year from the date of his premium note; and not until he has made two annual payments.

5. If a contributor die before having made five annual payments, his widow and children shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of his premium note (\$50.) If he should die after having made five annual payments and less than ten, they shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of the premium note and one-half that amount, (\$75.) If he have made ten annual payments or upwards, they shall receive an annuity equal to twice the amount of the premium note, (\$100.)

6. At the death of a contributor, the balance which may be due on his premium note, together with any other claims which the Corporation may hold against him, shall be assigned to the annuitants in part payment of the first annuity.

7. No annuity shall be considered as having become due to the family of any contributor until one year from the time of his death.

8. Annuities shall be paid widows during life, unless they marry again: in which case their annuities shall cease and fall to their children entirely: and children, if males, shall enjoy annuities until they be twenty-one years old; if females, until they are twenty-five years old, unless they previously marry, upon which their annuities shall cease.

9. If there be a child and no widow, such child shall be entitled to the whole annuity, during the time he or she continues to be an annuitant; but if there be more than one child and no widow, the annuity shall be equally divided among them till they severally marry or exceed the age of annuitants, which annuity shall be laid out in their education or apprenticeship, with the advice of such guardians or executors as the father may have nominated; and if none such shall have been nominated by the father, then in such manner for the benefit of the child or children as the Corporation shall direct.

10. If there be a widow and one child, the annuity shall be equally divided between them; but if the widow marry or die before the child

shall have attained, if a male, twenty-one years, or if a female, twenty-five, the whole of the annuity shall belong to such child during the period to which he or she may be entitled thereto. And if the child die before the mother; or when the child come to the age herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the mother, she having remained a widow, and shall be enjoyed by her during the period of her natural life, if she remain a widow: but if she should marry again, nothing shall be paid her after the period of her marriage. If there be a widow and two or more children, the widow shall have one-third during her widowhood or natural life, and the remainder shall be equally divided among her children; and if a child should die, or when such child may arrive at the age of twenty-one years if a male, or twenty-five if a female, his or her share shall be enjoyed by the remaining children, till the male or males arrive at the age of twenty-one, and the female or females at the age of twenty-five; provided always, that when death shall have reduced the number of children to one, or the arrival of the children to the age herein prescribed shall have reduced the children entitled to annuities to the number of one, the annuity shall be equally divided between such child and the widow, during the period of her natural life, or of her remaining a widow; and that if death should remove all her children, or when they have arrived at the ages herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the widow if she be alive and remain a widow; and be enjoyed by her during the period of her widowhood. But it shall be always lawful for a member of the Corporation to make such disposition by his will, of the rights to which his subscription may have entitled his family, as he may see fit.

RULES FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OF THE CORPORATION.

1. The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be holden during the session of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, at which time shall be chosen a President, Treasurer and Secretary, who shall reman in office until their successors are appointed. The Bishop of the Diocese, if he be a member, shall be President ex-officio.
2. On urgent occasions the President shall notify the Secretary to call special meetings of the Corporation.
3. The Treasurer shall manage the funds, pay the annuities, &c, He shall give bonds in such sum as the Corporation from time to time shall judge necessary for the security of the funds, and report at the annual meeting.
4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Corporation, attend to the management of all its business operations, and make a full report of its condition at each annual meeting. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Corporation may from time to time direct.
5. During each Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Ohio, a collection shall be taken up in aid of the funds of the Corporation.

E R R A T A.

The reader will please correct with a pencil the following errors, most of which occurred during the necessary absence of the Secretary from his post:

In the List of Parishes, p. 2, the new Parish at Ironton should be *Christ Church*, instead of St. Paul's.

In the List of Clergy, p. 6, and elsewhere several times, the name of *Rev. H. B. Walbridge* is erroneously spelled *Wallbridge*. Also, the name of *Rev. George W. Watson*, should be *Rev. George Watson, D.D.* (See report of St. Paul's, Norwalk, pages 94-5.)

P. 11, and elsewhere, in the name of *Wm. H. Johnston*, the *t* is erroneously omitted. Also, *Isaac H. Riersted* should be *Kiersted*. Also, *John W. Hickham* should be *Wickham*. Also, *E. N. Deitrich* should be *E. W.*

P. 29, 1st line, insert *of* after *proof*.

P. 32, some confusion of names of delegates is obvious.

P. 36, line 8, insert *for* after *made*.

The following certified Lay Delegates are omitted: from *St. Paul's Church, Steubenville*—John Andrews, John H. Veirs, Francis A. Wells.

In Col. Bond's Report, on p. 52, 2d line, for *disappeared* read *disapproved*; and 4th line, for *friendship* read *firmness*.

P. 60, line 4, erase *that*.

P. 61, 3d line from bottom, for *unto* read *into*.

P. 81, 2d line, for \$700 read \$900.

P. 85, 7th line from bottom, for \$75 read \$25.

In the Parochial Reports, several *names* of Parishes sending no report were omitted, through a misunderstanding on the part of the compositors.

Other merely typographical errors need not be noticed.

Letters for the Secretary requiring immediate attention, may be addressed, for the present, to Worthington, Ohio.

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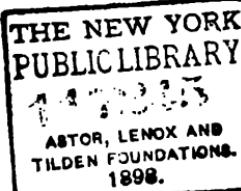
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LIST OF PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

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| AKRON, St. Paul's. | KINGSTON, St. James'. |
| ASHTABULA, St. Peter's. | LANCASTER, St. John's. |
| BELLEVUE, St. Paul's. | LYME, Trinity. |
| BERKSHIRE, Grace. | MADISON, St. Matthew's. |
| BOARDMAN, St. James'. | MANSFIELD, Grace. |
| CANFIELD, St. Stephen's. | MARIETTA, St. Luke's. |
| CENTERVILLE, St. David's. | MARION, St. Paul's. |
| CHILLICOTHE, St. Paul's. | MASSILLON, St. Timothy's. |
| CINCINNATI, Christ. | MAUMEE CITY, St. Paul's. |
| CINCINNATI, St. John's. | MEDINA, St. Paul's. |
| CINCINNATI, St. Paul's. | MILAN, St. Luke's. |
| CINCINNATI, Trinity. | MILL CREEK, St. Mark's. |
| CIRCLEVILLE, St. Philip's. | MT. VERNON, Christ. |
| CLEVELAND, Grace. | MT. VERNON, St. Paul's. |
| CLEVELAND, St. John's. | NEWARK, Trinity. |
| CLEVELAND, St. Paul's. | NEWTON FALLS, St. Mark's. |
| CLEVELAND, Trinity. | NORWALK, St. Paul's. |
| COLUMBIA, St. Luke's. | OBERLIN, Christ. |
| COLUMBUS, St. Paul's. | PAINESVILLE, St. James'. |
| COLUMBUS, Trinity. | PENFIELD, Christ. |
| CROSS CREEK, St. James'. | PENINSULA, Bethel. |
| CUYAHOGA FALLS, St. John's. | PERRY, St. Matthew's. |
| DAYTON, Christ. | PIQUA, St. James'. |
| DEFIANCE, Grace. | POMEROY, Grace. |
| DELAWARE, St. Peter's. | PORTSMOUTH, All Saints'. |
| DRESDEN, Zion. | ROME, St. Peter's. |
| EAST LIVERPOOL, St. Stephen's. | ROSCOE, Immanuel. |
| EAST PLYMOUTH, St. Matthew's. | SANDUSKY, Grace. |
| EAST SPRINGFIELD, St. John's. | SPRINGFIELD, Christ. |
| ELYRIA, St. Andrew's. | ST. CLAIRSVILLE, St. Thomas'. |
| EUCLID, St. Paul's. | STEUBENVILLE, St. Paul's. |
| FRANKLIN, Christ. | STRONGSVILLE, St. Philip's. |
| FREMONT, St. Paul's. | TOLEDO, Trinity. |
| GAMBIER, Harcourt. | TROY, Trinity. |
| GRAFTON, St. Stephen's. | UNIONVILLE, St. Michael's. |
| GRANVILLE, St. Luke's. | URBANA, Epiphany. |
| GREENVILLE, St. Paul's. | WAKEMAN, St. John's. |
| HAMILTON, St. Matthew's. | WARREN, Christ. |
| HARTSGROVE, St. Paul's. | WINDSOR, Christ. |
| HILLSBORO, St. Mary's. | WOOSTER, St. James'. |
| HUDSON, Christ. | WORTHINGTON, St. John's. |
| HURON, Christ. | XENIA, Christ. |
| IRONTON, Christ. | YELLOW SPRINGS, Christ. |
| JEFFERSON, Trinity. | ZANESVILLE, St. James'. |

Total — 88.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO, JUNE, 1855.

- The Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE, D.D., D.C.L.,
Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Cincinnati.
- The Rev. NORMAN BADGER, Principal of a Select School at Gambier,
and Missionary.
- " " DARIUS BARKER,* Rector of St. Paul's Church, Maumee, and
Missionary at Napoleon.
- " " EDWARD C. BENSON,* Deacon, assistant teacher in Harcourt
Place Academy, Gambier.
- " " HENRY BLACKALLER, Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.
- " " ALFRED BLAKE, B.D., Principal of Harcourt Place Acad-
emy, Gambier, and Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Perry.
- " " JAMES A. BOLLES, D.D., Rector of Trinity Church, Cleve-
land.
- " " JOHN BOYD, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.
- " " JOHNSON A. BRAYTON,* Principal of a Select Classical School
in Painesville.
- " " SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, D.D., Rector of Grace Church,
Sandusky.
- " " JOHN T. BROOKE, D.D.,* Rector of Christ Church, Spring-
field.
- " " JOHN L. BRYAN, residing at Granville.
- " " ERASTUS BURR, D.D., Rector of All Saints' Church, Ports-
mouth.
- " " LEWIS BURTON, Rector of St. John's Church, Cleveland.

- The Rev. CLEMENT M. BUTLER, D.D., Rector of Christ Church,
Cincinnati.
- " " LAWSON CARTER, Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland.
- " " JOHN W. CLARK.*
- " " R. BETHELL CLAXTON, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church,
Cleveland.
- " " THOMAS CORLETT, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville,
and Missionary.
- " " E. H. CUMMING, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.
- " " GEORGE S. DAVIS, Rector of Trinity Church, Lyme, and
officiating at Monroeville.
- " " COLUMBUS S. DOOLITTELL, Rector of St. James' Church,
Boardman, and St. Stephen's Church, Canfield, and Mis-
sionary. P. O., Boardman.
- " " GEORGE WASHINGTON DU BOIS, Rector of St. James' Church,
Zanesville.
- " " ABRAHAM EDWARDS, Rector of St. David's Church, Center-
ville, Gallia county.
- " " THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson.
- " " CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua.
- " " LYMAN N. FREEMAN, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chil-
licothe.
- " " WILLIAM C. FRENCH, Rector of Christ Church, Ironton,
Missionary, and Secretary of the Convention.
- " " FRANCIS GRANGER, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Elyria,
and Missionary at Penfield and Oberlin.
- " " WILLIAM GRANVILLE,* residing at Medina.
- " " RICHARD GRAY, City Missionary in Cincinnati.
- " " JOHN HALL, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Rome.
- " " H. T. HIESTER, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Fremont.

- The Rev. HUMPHREY HOLLIS, Rector of Bethel Church, Peninsula,
and Christ Church, Franklin Mills.
- " " LEVI L. HOLMES, Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga
Falls.
- " " EZRA B. KELLOGG,* officiating at St. Paul's Church, Co-
lumbus.
- " " CHARLES F. LEWIS,* Principal of a Female Seminary in
Springfield.
- " " EDWARD MAGEE,* City Missionary in connection with St.
Paul's Church, Cincinnati.
- " " SAMUEL MARKS, Rector of Christ Church, Huron, and Mis-
sionary.
- " " JAMES McELROY, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.
- " " ALBERT T. McMURPHY, Rector of Zion Church, Dresden,
and St. Matthew's Church, Madison.
- " " INTREPID MORSE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.
- " " JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D.,* residing at Mount Vernon.
- " " RODNEY S. NASH, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Circleville.
- " " RODOLPHUS K. NASH, Rector of St. James' Church, Woos-
ter, and Missionary.
- " " PETER NEFF, Jr., Rector of Christ Church, Yellow Springs,
and Christ Church, Xenia. P. O., Yellow Springs.
- " " WILLIAM R. NICHOLSON, Rector of St. John's Church, Cin-
cinnati.
- " " HENRY PAYNE,* Agent of the American Sunday School
Union, Mount Vernon.
- " " G. B. PERRY, D.D., LL.D., Associate Rector of Grace
Church, Cleveland.
- " " ALANSON PHELPS, Rector of St. James' Church, Paines-
ville.

- The Rev. W. B. RALLY, Missionary in Cincinnati, and vicinity.
- " " CHARLES REYNOLDS,* Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.
- " " DANIEL RISER, Rector of St. John's Church, Lancaster, and Missionary.
- " " CHANDLER ROBBINS, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Springfield, and Principal of a Classical School.
- " " JOSEPH E. RYAN, Rector of Grace Church, Berkshire, and Missionary.
- " " ALVAH SANFORD,* residing at Granville.
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- " " THOMAS M. SMITH, D.D., Milnor Professor of Divinity in the Theological Seminary of Ohio.
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- " " SPENCER WALL.*
- " " HENRY B. WALBRIDGE, Rector of Trinity Church, Toledo.
- " " GEORGE WATSON, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.
- " " HOMER WHEELER, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.
- " " ABRAHAM WHEELER,* residing at Grafton.
- " " M. T. C. WING, D.D., Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theological Seminary at Gambier.
- " " EDWARD WINTHROP,* Principal of a Ladies' Academy, Norwalk.

RULES OF ORDER.

I.

The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.

II.

When the President takes the chair no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up except to address the Chair

III.

After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.

IV.

No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

V.

At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present—if not, some other person appointed by the Chair, shall call the names of the clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the parishes entitled to representation; and the Lay Delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organised and ready to proceed to business.

VI.

The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint—1st, *A Committee of Examination*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of membership and certificates of Lay Delegates, and incorporation of Churches, and their admission into union with the Convention. 2d, *A Committee on Unfinished Business*, to consist of one clergyman and one layman. After the Committee of Examinations has reported the names of the Lay Delegates entitled to seats in the Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees: 1st, *A Committee of Finance*, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen; to whom shall be referred the Treasurer's report and assessment of the parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. 2d, *A Committee on Missions*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred the report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3d, *A Committee on Canons*, to consist of two clergymen, and two laymen, to whom new Canons and all alterations and amendments of existing Canons shall be referred.

VII.

When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VIII.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

IX.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

X.

Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

XI.

A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

XII.

No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

XIII.

When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XIV.

All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

XV.

When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

XVI.

Clergymen belonging to the Diocese but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and candidates for holy orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention, and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

XVII.

The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, unless altered or rescinded, and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.



JOURNAL.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, ZANESVILLE,
June 7, A. D. 1855. }

This being the time and place appointed for holding the Thirty-Eighth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled, with the Bishop, as above, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

Morning Prayer was offered by the Rev. E. H. Cuming, Rector of St. Timothy's, Massillon, assisted in the Lessons by the Rev. W. C. French, Rector elect of Christ Church, Ironton, and the Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. H. Blackaller, Rector of Trinity Church, Newark, from Acts vi. 4: "*But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word.*"

After Divine Service, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The Secretary of last Convention being furnished by the Bishop with a list of the Clergy entitled to seats in this Convention, under Article IV of the Constitution,

called their names, when the following were found to be present :

Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT MCILVAINE, D.D., D.C.L.,		
Rev. N. Badger,	T. B. Fairchild,	P. Neff, Jr.,
H. Blackaller,	C. W. Fitch,	A. Phelps,
S. A. Bronson, D.D.;	L. N. Freeman,	D. Risser,
J. L. Bryan,	W. C. French,	J. E. Ryan,
E. Burr, D.D.,	R. Gray,	N. H. Schenck,
C. M. Butler, D.D.,	L. L. Holden,	T. M. Smith, D.D.,
T. Corlett,	S. Marks,	E. A. Strong,
E. H. Cumming,	J. McElroy,	G. B. Sturges,
C. S. Doolittell,	A. T. McMurphy,	G. Watson, D.D.
G. W. DuBois,	R. K. Nash,	—30.

A list of the Parishes in union with the Convention being then read by the Secretary, the certificates of their Lay Delegates were laid on the table, and the following gentlemen were appointed the

Committee on Credentials—Rev. T. B. Fairchild, Rev. H. Blackaller and W. B. Thrall.

After which the Convention took a recess till three o'clock, p. m.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention assembled, and united with the Bishop in singing and prayers.

The Secretary called the roll of the Clergy, and the following, in addition to those present this morning, found present :

Rev. R. S. Nash.

The Rev. T. B. Fairchild, from the committee of Examination of Credentials, reported the following persons

entitled to seats as representatives of their respective parishes* from

- Berkshire, Grace Church*—J. W. Seymour, D. Calhoun, J. W. Foote.
Boardman, St. James'—Edward Fitch, Luther Stilson, A. G. Botsford.
Canfield, St. Stephen's—S. C. Lockwood, Curtis Beardley.
Chillicothe, St. Paul's—Jas. S. Swearingen, E. P. Kendrick, W. H. Safford.
Cincinnati, Christ—D. K. Este, Jas. Hall, W. K. Bond.
Cincinnati, St. John's—E. A. Thompson, Wm. Wood, Donald Macleod.
Cincinnati, St. Paul's—David K. Cady.
Circleville, St. Philip's—T. C. Jones.
Cleveland, St. John's—David Griffith, Geo. L. Chapman, Wm. B. Castle.
Cleveland, St. Paul's—E. T. Sterling, Aaron Clark, H. D. Kendall.
Columbus, St. Paul's—Wm. B. Thrall, H. S. Miller.
Columbus, Trinity—J. A. Lazell, John W. Andrews, S. D. Harris.
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's—Calvin J. Comstock, Lucius Bradley, Benj. R. Noble.
Dayton, Christ—Warren Munger, John Powell, James B. Clegg.
Delaware, St. Peter's—Caleb Howard, Benj. Powers, Geo. F. Stayman.
Dresden, Zion—Edward Adams, James Robinson, Wm. H. Cox.
Elyria, St. Andrew's—Orrin Cowles, Raymond Starr.
Gambier, Harcourt—Lorin Andrews, R. S. French, H. L. Smith.
Granville, St. Luke's—S. N. Sanford, Levi Rose, J. L. Huggins.
Hillsboro, St. Mary's—J. Milton Boyd, A. B. Sams, S. P. Shrope.
Huron, Christ—S. P. McDonald, John W. Wickham.
Kingston, St. James'—Elias Benton, Wilson Robinson, Baxter Maxwell.
Lyme, Trinity—John Clarke, Stephen Sawyer.
Marietta, St. Luke's—John Kendrick, A. L. Guitteau.
Massillon, St. Timothy's—Kent Jarvis, Thos. McCullough, W. A. Reed.
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's—E. Alling, C. P. Buckingham, J. W. Russell.
Mt. Vernon, Christ—M. H. Mitchell, Wm. L. King.
Newark, Trinity—H. S. Sprague, E. Franklin.
Norwalk, St. Paul's—Platt Benedict, Shepherd Patrick, Chas. E. Newman.
Painesville, St. James'—D. D. Aiken, Aaron Willcox, Alex. Thompson.
Perry, St. Matthew's—John Green, Wm. Woodward.
Portsmouth, All Saints'—W. Kinney, John Radcliffe.
Springfield, Christ—Wm. Coles, John Ludlow.
Steubenville, St. Paul's—John H. Veirs, Abner L. Frazer, Martin Andrews.
Warren, Christ—John L. Weeks.
Xenia, Christ—Francis Harris, Benj. W. Fahnestock.
Yellow Springs, Christ—Sam'l. Houghton, James Goldrick.
Zanesville, St. James'—James Crosby, Gordius A. Hall, Moses M. Granger.

The names of the Lay Delegates reported were then called over by the Secretary,

* This list includes all the credentials reported by the committee during the progress of the Convention.

When the following gentlemen answered and took their seats as members of the Convention :

Messrs. J. S. Swearingen,	J. B. Clegg,	E. Alling,
J. Hall,	B. Powers,	J. W. Russell,
W. K. Bond,	E. Adams,	P. Benedict,
W. Wood,	W. H. Cox,	W. Woodward,
D. K. Cady,	L. Andrews,	W. Kinney,
T. C. Jones,	R. S. French,	J. Radcliffe,
W. B. Thrall,	H. L. Smith,	J. H. Veirs,
J. A. Lazell,	S. N. Sanford,	J. L. Weeks,
J. W. Andrews,	S. P. Shrope,	J. Crosby,
S. D. Harris,	J. Kendrick,	G. A. Hall,
W. Munger,	K. Jarvis,	M. M. Granger.
J. Powell,		—34.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of a Secretary. On motion of Rev. Mr. McElroy, balloting was unanimously dispensed with, and the Rev. W. C. FRENCH, the former Secretary, was reelected.

Rev. Mr. Cumming inquired of the Secretary if his expenses, etc., for the past year had been paid, and on being answered in the negative, on motion by Judge Hall, the committee on Finance were instructed to inquire and report on that subject.

The President then announced the appointment of the following standing committees, viz:

Committee on Unfinished Business—Rev. Mr. Phelps and Prof. H. L. Smith.

Committee on Finance—Rev. Mr. McElroy, James Hall and Kent Jarvis.

Committee on Missions—Rev. Dr. Burr, Rev. Mr. Holden and Prof. J. Kendrick.

Committee on Canons—Rev. Dr. Claxton, Rev. Mr. Nicholson, Wm. Key Bond and J. W. Andrews.

Rev. Mr. Cumming offered a resolution to appoint a committee to nominate a Board of Trustees for the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, which, on motion by Col. W. K. Bond, was laid on the table till to-morrow morning.

The committee of Examination reported that they had examined the papers relative to the organization of Grace Church, Defiance, and recommended that said Parish be received into union with this Convention, which was agreed to.

Rev. Mr. Badger, on behalf of the Missionary and Education committee, read the following report:

The Missionary and Education committee would report, that the work entrusted to them, by the last Convention, has appeared to enjoy the blessing of Heaven; though it has not been carried on without a good deal of anxiety on their part, arising from circumstances connected with the embarrassments which have prevailed throughout the business portion of our population, and from the untried measures recently adopted for increasing the ranks of the ministry.

For the first time, within the history of the Diocese, the Missionary committee entered upon its duties with a large balance of more than one thousand dollars in the treasury. It seems to have been a gracious provision of the Lord of the harvest against a time of approaching scarcity; for, while the increased expense of living and the instructions of the Convention made it incumbent on the committee to increase somewhat their usual appropriations, their funds were sustained the first part of the year by only small contributions from a few parishes; and the financial difficulties in the state, especially in Cincinnati and the large towns, made it inexpedient to attempt to effect any thing at that time, in this Diocese, through the agent of the committee, for the relief of the funds.

While waiting for better times at home, the committee thought it within the limit of their authority to allow their Agent to go abroad and look for suitable young men to engage in preparing for the ministry, and solicit aid for their support in our Diocesan Institutions. The committee were induced, the more readily, to approve of this course for the Agent, by the generous offer of a clergyman to pay one hundred dollars towards the traveling expenses of the agent while thus employed.

The results of the Agent's visits to the East have been the addition of several pious young men to our list of students, preparing for the ministry, the increase of the funds for their support to the amount of over \$2000 in cash and reliable pledges, and the creating of an interest there in the work of the committee in Ohio which it is believed will not soon subside, but be attended hereafter by the further addition of men and means to the resources of this Diocese for extending the bounds of the church at large.

The new practice of receiving under the care of the committee, as probationers, young men who are entire strangers, has imposed on them the necessity for increased vigilance, and in a few instances, the painful

duty of deciding, after a brief trial, against the expediency of granting further aid to several young men professedly anxious to preach the gospel. From such a decision, even in cases where a very charitable person might be disposed to make further trial, the committee have felt that they could not shrink, and at the same time be faithful to those who have confided funds to their care.

The committee has been able to do a good deal more in the missionary department of the work than in years past; still, a large number of openings for labor and extensive usefulness remain unfulfilled, and the help extended to other places has not been so great as the committee desired. In a few instances, appropriations have been made to assist clergymen preaching the gospel where the people were needy, and where there is no prospect that the church will be speedily or permanently established; but in most cases, the money appropriated has been to places where there is an encouraging hope that our church is making progress, and the parishes will soon, or eventually, become self-supporting.

The number of young men assisted by the committee in preparing for the duties of their sacred calling is 27, and the number of missionaries for whose benefit appropriations have been made, is 13. The amount appropriated to beneficiaries in full standing, now 18 in number, is \$1635; to probationers, now 9 in number, is sufficient to defray the expense of board and tuition in Gambier for a period of time not exceeding one term in Kenyon College. As the expenses of individuals differ, and the College is now in session, the exact amount can not be here given. The Treasurer's report will show how much has been paid out. The amount appropriated to missionaries has been \$1585. Besides the above named appropriations, others have been made, on which, owing to changes in the locality of clergymen, or in the destination of young men, there has been no draft.

Since the return of the Agent from the East, he has visited several parishes in the Diocese, and been quite as successful as was reasonably expected. From the report of the Treasurer, the Convention will learn that the financial affairs of the committee are in a far better condition than was at one time by any body anticipated.

In the opinion of the committee, the church in Ohio has abundant reason to be grateful to the Disposer of events for the favor he has shown their work, and to persevere in the cause so well begun.

They would recommend that measures should be adopted to secure, if possible, the main contributions of the parishes to missions and education, at an earlier period of the year.

All of which is respectfully submitted in behalf of the committee.

N. BADGER, *Secretary.*

Rev. Dr. Burr moved that the standing committee on Missions be increased by the addition of one clergymen and the one layman.

Carried, and the Bishop appointed Rev. Dr. Butler and Mr. D. K. Cady.

Rev. Mr. McElroy then read the report of the committee appointed at the last convention on the subject of Female Education:

The committee to whom was referred, by the last Convention of this Diocese, the subject of Endowed Institutions for Female Education beg leave respectfully to report:

That they have had the subject which was committed to them under frequent and earnest consideration, and that their first impressions of the transcendent importance of this subject have only been rendered more vivid and more enduring by much reflection, repeated consultation and correspondence.

After this Convention has by formal vote declared "*that expediency, no less than justice, and duty no less than interest, demand that this Diocese proceed, without unnecessary delay, to found an institution for the Christian education of females, provided with grounds, buildings, etc., on a liberal scale, and with a permanent and productive endowment of at least fifty thousand dollars,*" we do not feel called upon to discuss this proposition. Perhaps we need not even refer to the well-known facts that, as society is constituted, woman does not, as a general thing, occupy her *true sphere*; that she does not enjoy all the advantages which of right belong to her; that she is not fairly remunerated for her services, and hence, has not the pecuniary ability to fit herself, *unaided*, to fill, in full measure, the sphere for which her Creator designed her; and that, in forgetfulness of these facts, the charitable public has not provided for her facilities for acquiring a thorough education, in any degree commensurate with those which we of the sterner sex enjoy.

Surely it is woman's God-given right to enjoy every facility which man enjoys for the improvement of her physical, intellectual and moral condition. It is for the practical acknowledgment of this right that we now contend. It is to secure to her these advantages that we now plead. From want of these advantages—in other words, from want of endowed Institutions wherein she may receive that education which will secure to her, with the blessing of God, a life of independence and usefulness—she is, in innumerable instances, doomed to a life of ill-requited toil, or equally inglorious inactivity and uselessness, and deprived of the light and joy that spring spontaneously from a cultivated mind. Such is the condition, this day, of multitudes, who, had the hand of Christian sympathy and aid been extended in their time of need, would have been brilliant lights in the moral and intellectual darkness and gloom, which envelop many a home; would have been efficient missionaries in heathen lands, and in the far West; would have

been active, influential Christian women, Christian teachers, Christian wives and mothers, exerting a salutary influence on all around them.

When we lose sight of woman's true sphere, as the companion and counselor of man, the sharer of his pleasures and his labors, a help meet for him; as the mother and the educator of the race, the guardian angel of the family, then shall we fail to see how essential is right education, to her discharge, in their full measure, of the duties of her sphere. And when we consider the physical and conventional disabilities under which she labors, we cannot fail to see that duty and interest alike imperatively demand at the hand of the church liberal provisions for the higher Christian education of her indigent but worthy and promising daughters.

But such aid is needed not for those alone. It is estimated, by those supposed to be capable of judging, that at least \$50,000 are annually paid by churchmen of Ohio for the education of their daughters at Eastern schools, and statistics collected by your committee justify the supposition. Much of this money could and should be retained here, and by being turned to the support of a school, or schools, of high order, in this Diocese, be made to aid in what should be regarded as *the great object* of the present movement, viz: to afford to those who give promise of future usefulness the mental and moral culture which they need, but have not the means to provide for themselves.

But some may ask, are there any devoted, earnest-minded, intelligent young ladies, eager to fit themselves for active usefulness, now ready to avail themselves of such aid were it proffered? We answer, many, *MANY such there be; their cry for help comes up on every breeze.* Many such are receiving from individuals, in private schools, the aid which the church ought to afford, in larger measure. And yet for every one thus assisted, *scores*, equally deserving, are of necessity deprived of these advantages, because Christian men and women to whom God has given the means, come not up to the great work. And many of these are daughters of clergymen, who in entering the gospel ministry have renounced all hope of worldly gain, and who have a right to expect aid from the church in the liberal education of their sons and daughters.

Three specific duties were assigned to your committee: To report, 1st. "*A plan for raising and investing an Endowment.*" 2nd. "*A plan for the organization*" of the proposed institution. 3rd. "*The place or places within the Diocese which offer the strongest inducements for its location in their vicinity.*"

Your committee do not feel prepared, and do not think it would be wise, to report in *detail* at the present time.

But in view of the *pressing need of present aid* on the part of many of the class chiefly referred to in this report, we would most earnestly recommend that *this Convention, at its present session*, elect by ballot a board of three clerical and three lay trustees, of which the Rt. Rev., the Bishop of the Diocese, shall be, ex-officio, President, with instructions to secure, at once, corporate powers, and to take such measures as they may deem necessary to render *immediate aid* to indi-

gent but worthy and promising young ladies, who are desirous of fitting themselves for usefulness in *existing institutions* within this Diocese; and in general to further the object in view in this report.

S. N. SANFORD,
J. McELROY,
for the Committee.

Which was laid on the table for further consideration.

Rev. Mr. Phelps presented the following report of the committee on Unfinished Business, which was accepted:

The Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to report, that they find—

On page 13, a resolution referring to the appointment of a committee on the State of the Church, which was not acted upon.

Also, on page 30, a committee was continued relating to the endowment of the Episcopate fund.

Also, on page 63, a resolution relating to the education of females.

Also, on page 67, a resolution amendatory of the Constitution, to be acted upon at this Convention.

Also, on page 71, the Committee on Finance recommend an addition to Article IV of the Constitution.

Also, on page 72, committee continued to carry out the object of erecting a mural tablet to the memory of Bishop Chase.

All which is respectfully submitted.

A. PHELPS. }
H. L. SMITH, } *Committee.*

On motion by Rev. Mr. McElroy, proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee of the Diocese. Rev. Dr. Bronson moved the appointment of a nominating committee, when the following were appointed: Rev. Dr. Bronson, Rev. R. K. Nash, and Mr. W. Kinney, who reported the following names:

FOR STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.

Rev. W. R. Nicholson, D.D.,	James Hall,
Rev. Richard Gray,	David K. Cady,
Rev. Clement M. Butler, D.D.,	D. B. Pierson.

Which were unanimously confirmed, the ballot being dispensed with.

Rev. Mr. French moved to take up the resolution on page 67 of last Journal, on the subject of permanently

changing the time for the meetings of the Annual Conventions.

Rev. Mr. McElroy moved to lay the resolution on the table. Lost.

The months of January, April, June, September and October being proposed by various members of the Convention, after much discussion, Col. Bond moved the previous question, which motion, however, he withdrew, and on motion by J. W. Andrews, the subject was referred to the committee on Canons.

The convention then adjourned to meet at nine o'clock on Friday morning.

SECOND DAY.

FRIDAY MORNING, JUNE 8, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention assembled agreeably to adjournment, and united in devotional exercises.

The Secretary called the roll of Clergy, when the following additional were found present:

Rev. A. Blake,
" L. Burton,
" R. B. Claxton, D.D.,

Rev. F. Granger,
" H. T. Hiester.

The committee on Credentials reported additional Lay Delegates. [See p. 11.]

The Secretary called the roll of Lay Delegates, when the following additional were found present:

Donald Macleod,
James Robinson,
Orrin Cowles,

M. H. Mitchell,
E. P. Kendrick,
Wm. H. Safford.

The Secretary read the following communication:

To the Clergy and Lay Delegates in Convention assembled:

The Central Ohio Railroad Company tender to the Clergy and Lay Delegates now in attendance *free return tickets* to any point on their road; which may be had by calling on Mr. G. A. Hall, a delegate of this Convention from Zanesville.

On motion by Rev. Mr. McElroy, the thanks of the Convention were unanimously returned to the officers of the C. O. R. R. for their liberal offer.

The Convention then listened to the

Bishop's Annual Address.

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY :

"How good and pleasant it is (saith the Psalmist) for brethren to dwell together in unity." So has it been our pleasure and blessing to dwell together, as brethren, in the household of God, since the last meeting of this body. How good and pleasant, after a local separation, and after many months of duty, which, I trust, have, under the divine blessing, only drawn together our unity in a closer bond, by drawing us all nearer to the one life and center of the only real unity, Jesus Christ—how good and pleasant, I say, to meet together, as at this time, and realize our oneness in Christ—the union of heart, and of aim, and of effort, arising out of the union of each by faith to Him who is our life, our hope and our heritage, and for whom I trust we all desire to spend all the life that remains to us here.

At one time, during the last winter, I thought that, in all probability, the life remaining to me, here, would be measured by a very few minutes. Probably you will all understand me as referring to the gracious deliverance from imminent danger which, at the Falls of the Ohio, the Lord, in his merciful Providence, gave to me and many others on

the 30th of January last. I desire, on this public occasion, in the presence of the clergy of my diocese, and of the representatives of the laity, humbly and thankfully to acknowledge the good hand of the Lord in that deliverance, as well as his gracious help and consolation during that solemn continuance of the trial of a Christian's faith. It was an event in one's history, never to be forgotten ; and I trust the recollection of it will always kindle afresh my thankfulness to God's great goodness, and my desire to spend the little time thus given me, under the deepest feeling that I am not my own—but bought with a price—bought anew with that gracious providence, added to the price of the precious blood of Christ, by which itself was bought ; bound therefore by unspeakable obligations to glorify God in body and spirit, which are his. You will perhaps allow me, in the very little that I can trust myself to say concerning the thoughts and feelings of that solemn occasion, to assure you that while walking the deck of the ferry boat as she drifted with the current towards the falls, and when it seemed that in a few minutes we must be lost, though I had very much to think of, I thought emphatically of you all, and of the Convention that would probably soon meet to elect another Bishop over this Diocese. I had just then published a volume of sermons, entitled "The Truth and the Life." I had dedicated it to the Clergy and Laity of this Diocese. In the dedication, I had said the sermons were published and dedicated with the author's "earnest prayer that when his voice should be silent in death, he might long be permitted, by them, to teach and preach Jesus Christ." It seemed, on the occasion referred to, that in all probability the time thus anticipated had come—but with an awfulness of circumstances certainly not anticipated. But I remember nothing more distinctly of what then passed through my mind, than the thought that in that volume I had left my testimony, which that river could not drown, to the precious Gospel of Christ, distinctly, pointedly, and, as I

trusted, faithfully ; and that by it, whatever the issue of that peril, dead or alive, I should yet have the privilege of teaching and preaching Jesus Christ. Some years ago, I think when the Convention sat at Massillon, I was requested by a large number of its members, whose names were appended to a written application, to prepare and issue a volume of my discourses. The volume recently published, and just referred to, is in fulfillment of the promise then made. It is dedicated to the clergy and laity of this Diocese, in expression of the love I bear them all, and of my earnest desire that they may grow more and more in the knowledge, and love, and consolation of Christ our Lord and Saviour. I wish indeed it were worthy of their acceptance, as I wish I were able to place a copy in the hand of each. But such as it is, it contains my maturest views of the truth as it is in Jesus ; those views which, in all my ministry, I endeavor constantly, every where, on all minds and hearts, to engrave ; those views which I began to preach when, at the age of one and twenty, I took on me the first vows of the ministry of Christ ; and which, without variation or doubt, or any thing but increasing clearness and largeness of understanding, united with a constantly growing sense of their necessity and preciousness, and a constant desire and effort to teach them with greater and greater simplicity, directness, clearness, earnestness and faithfulness, I have been enabled, by the grace of God, to preach ever since ; truths which are the joy of my life ; which, as I approach the great day of account, become constantly more precious and more deeply rooted in my heart, and which I desire may fill all my thoughts and affections when the hour of departure shall not only seem, as of late, to have come, but when it shall be present indeed. Allow me, brethren, here to say, in this connection, for I may never have an occasion so proper, that as I have now been preaching those views of the Gospel these thirty-three years and more, so that they have constituted, not only a part of my

teaching, but literally all my teaching—other matters being studiously kept not only as subordinate, but subsidiary to them—while I have diligently read on both sides of all questions in regard to them, I can not remember that I had ever a doubt, whether, to preach those views essentially as I have presented them, was not to preach Christ indeed; to preach his glorious Gospel in its fulness, and thus far to do the work of a steward of the mysteries of God. It seemed always that I could just as well doubt the reality of the sun in the skies. It always seemed as impossible for me to preach any thing else, or any thing less, as that I should embrace any Master but Christ, or any hope but that of his Gospel. The older I grow, the more simply my mind rests on those blessed truths. The more I see of the need of man, the less can I discern of any remedy but in those blessed truths. The more I see of the necessities of the Church for its work in the world, and of the awful reign of sin and death in the world, where the office of the Church lies, the more solemnly am I persuaded that the only anchor to the Church's steadfastness, the only life of the Church's testimony, the only power of the Church to do its work in and for a perishing world, is in the blessing of the Spirit of God on the teaching, the diligent propagation, and the individual, personal embracing in the heart, of those very views, however imperfectly and feebly I may have been able to exhibit them.

I now proceed to a statement of such particulars of the state of the Diocese, as the special nature of this annual address demands.

It will be recollect that only a little more than two-thirds of a year have elapsed since the last Convention. By divine permission, and the blessing of unusual health, I have been enabled to visit nearly two-thirds of the parishes of the Diocese.

The visitations have been as follows: St. Peter's, Delaware, confirmed 8; St. John's, Worthington, confirmed 6; a station not paro-

chially connected with the Diocese, at Monroeville, confirmed 3, one of whom was of St. Paul's, Norwalk ; St. Luke's, Milan, vacant, no confirmation ; Christ Church, Huron, no confirmation ; Trinity, Lyme, confirmed 1 ; St. Paul's, Bellevue, vacant, no confirmation ; Trinity, Toledo, confirmed 8 ; St. Paul's, Maumee, confirmed 3—then vacant, now supplied ; St. Paul's, Fremont, confirmed 5 ; St. Andrew's, Elyria, confirmed 9 ; St. Paul's, Euclid, vacant, confirmed 1 ; Trinity, Cleveland, confirmed 12 ; Grace, Cleveland, confirmed 27 ; Christ Church, Dayton, confirmed 3 ; St. Paul's, Greenville, vacant, no confirmation ; St. James', Piqua, confirmed 4 ; Trinity, Troy, no confirmation ; Epiphany, Urbana, vacant, no confirmation ; St. Paul's, Norwalk, confirmed 10 ; Grace, Sandusky, confirmed 10 ; Christ Church, Springfield, then vacant, now supplied, confirmed 4 ; Christ Church, Yellow Springs, no confirmation ; Christ Church, Xenia, no confirmation ; Christ Church, Cincinnati, confirmed 14 ; St. John's, Cincinnati, confirmed 20 ; St. Paul's, Cincinnati, confirmed 21 ; Grace, Mansfield, vacant, no confirmation ; St. James', Wooster, confirmed 6 ; St. James', Cross Creek, vacant, no confirmation ; St. John's, E. Springfield, vacant, confirmed 1 ; St. Paul's, Steubenville, confirmed 12 ; St. Luke's, Marietta, confirmed 6 ; Grace, Pomeroy, vacant, no confirmation ; Christ Church, Ironton, vacant, no confirmation ; All Saints', Portsmouth, confirmed 14 ; St. Paul's, Cleveland, confirmed 9 ; St. John's, Cleveland, confirmed 7 ; St. Michael's, Unionville, confirmed 5 ; St. James', Painesville, confirmed 3 ; St. Peter's, Ashtabula, confirmed 14 ; St. Matthew's, Plymouth, vacant, confirmed 1 ; Trinity, Jefferson, vacant, no confirmation ; St. Peter's, Rome, confirmed 2 ; Christ Church, Windsor, vacant, no confirmation ; St. Paul's, Hartsgrave, vacant, confirmed 1, baptized an adult and infant ; Harcourt, Gambier, confirmed 6 ; St. James', Zanesville, confirmed 9. Total, 266.

As the present meeting of the Convention is before the usual time of

ordination, when the term of candidates for orders is completed, there have been no ordinations since the last Convention.

I have consecrated Trinity Church, Cleveland. Other new Churches are not yet sufficiently freed from liabilities arising out of cost of construction, to admit of consecration.

Three new parishes have been organized, viz. ; Christ Church, Oberlin, Grace Church, Defiance, and St. John's, Napoleon.*

The candidates for orders are *twelve*, namely : B. K. Maltby, Chas. W. Fearn, Henry H. Morrell, John Hochuly, Wm. F. Lloyd, Peter H. Jeffries, John P. Curran, Warren H. Roberts, Richard L. Chittenden, Moses Hamilton, George Onions and J. H. C. Bonte.

The following clergymen have left the Diocese by letters dimissory since the last Convention : The Rev. D. C. Maybin, transferred to Kentucky ; the Rev. N. C. Pridham, to Louisiana ; the Rev. J. B. Britton, to Wisconsin ; the Rev. F. B. Nash, to Illinois ; and the Rev. Thos. B. Dooley, to Michigan.

The following have become canonically united to the Diocese, viz. : The Rev. James Trimble, from Maryland, who took charge of Trinity Church, Troy, and has since resigned the same ; the Rev. Ezra B. Kellogg, from Illinois, who has since been officiating in St. Paul's, Columbus ; the Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., from Maryland, who has taken charge of Christ Church, Springfield ; the Rev. D. Baker, from Michigan, who has taken charge of St. Paul's, Maumee, and a missionary station at Napoleon ; the Rev. Chas. Reynolds, from New York, who has taken charge of Trinity Church, Columbus.

Changes within the Diocese.—The Rev. Henry Blackaller has resigned Grace Church, Mansfield, and taken charge of Trinity Church, Newark ; the Rev. John W. Clark has resigned St. Paul's, Cincin-

* The last named has not applied for admission to the Convention.—ED.

nati; the Rev. George S. Davis has taken charge of Trinity, Lyme, and officiates also at Monroeville; the Rev. Wm. C. French has resigned St. John's, Worthington, and accepted the Rectorship of Christ Church, Ironton; the Rev. Humphrey Hollis has resigned St. James', Cross Creek, and St. John's, East Springfield, and taken charge of Bethel Church, Peninsula, and Christ Church, Franklin; the Rev. Joseph Muenscher, D.D., has resigned Christ Church, Mt. Vernon; the Rev. Chas. Robbins has resigned Christ Church, Springfield.

I desire to say a few words on the subject of Confirmation. You will see that the number of confirmations reported just now, is much less than that given at the previous Convention. Two considerations account for the difference, namely: the interval between the two Conventions being only a little more than eight months, the parishes visited are twenty-two less than last year, while in almost all instances the interval between the last visitation and the preceding has been shorter than usual.

But here I take occasion to assure you that while I most earnestly desire the greatest increase of the number of truly converted persons gathered out of the world into the fold of Christ, and while in such increase and the growth of believers in every Christian grace, we must look for the only fruit of our ministry that will abide the winnowing of Him whose fan is in his hand, I have no desire that the clergy should present to me for confirmation any but those who, in the judgment of charity, they have reason to trust are truly converted to Christ. Whether a large number presented for confirmation, or any, indeed, are to me a pleasant spectacle, an encouragement to my heart, a just subject of congratulation to the pastor, an evidence of the success of our ministry, or of the prosperity of the Church, depends altogether upon the question, how far they consist of those who seriously and intelligently profess the hope that, by the grace of God, they have been

changed in heart, made new creatures in Christ, and in heart and life have truly renounced the world, and embraced, in its stead, the whole obedience of the Gospel. Tell me that those who come to be confirmed make no such profession in their hearts, tell me that they are renouncing the vanities of the world only after the world's interpretation ; that they do not realize that their confirmation is their solemn declaration before God and man, that, in heart and life they have embraced Christ, and do devote themselves to his service ; tell me that in their state of mind, or in their views of what they promise and profess in their confirmation, there is no security that they will not be seen again, as ever, mingling in scenes of worldly conformity, seeking their pleasure where a spiritual mind can find no pleasure ; tell me there is no promise in their professed experience that the Lord will be glorified in their walk and life, as trophies of his converting grace, then, though hundreds come, I have no pleasure in their confirmation. But tell me that one single soul, out of those hundreds, does realize all ; does seriously, after solemn self-examination, trust that he is a new creature, and is of a contrite spirit, and loves the service of Christ, and makes him all his hope, and desires only to live for him ; then, though that one be the obscurest, and poorest, and least valuable in a worldly sense of all, I shall esteem that one soul as of great price, and will lay hands on his head with pleasure indeed, and pray God, with faith, that he may *continue* His forever, and daily increase in His Holy Spirit more and more, until he enter the everlasting kingdom. Yes, that one contrite heart is to me a more encouraging confirmation than any number who might come in any other spirit. Let us be persuaded, brethren, and act always on the persuasion, that *numbers* added to the communion, independently of their conversion to God, can never profit the Church, are no blessing to our ministry ; but, on the contrary, must hang as a dead weight upon the true life of the Church, reducing its standard of

practical godliness, crippling its energies, deforming its example, and conforming it to the world. What possible benefit to a Church can there be, what evidence of prosperity, what honor to God, what good to the souls of men, in having a number of persons connected with our communion, who, before God and man, have ratified upon their souls the most solemn vows of self-dedication to God and renunciation of the world, and thus have had the door opened to them to the highest privileges of the Lord's people, at his holy table, but who either never come to that table, or if they do, are manifesting an example in contradiction to all the qualifications of a true communicant. I well know it is not in us to search the heart, or to say who are Christ's, and who are not. But we can do what our Church teaches us to do. What she says to all who meditate a participation in the Lord's Supper, she says, and bids us say, to all who think of coming to that ordinance, which is simply the door to that sacrament, and gives title to its reception. Immediately before the Order for Confirmation, occur these last words of the Catechism : "What is required of those who come to the Lord's Supper ? *Answer*—To examine themselves whether they repent them truly of their former sins, steadfastly purposing to lead a new life ; have a lively faith in God's mercy through Christ, with a thankful remembrance of his death ; and be in charity with all men." Such, then, are the requisites for confirmation,—*serious self-examination* as to the *work of grace in the heart* ; whether it has brought that heart to true repentance ; in other words, whether it has created in the sinner a new heart, leading to the steadfast purpose of a new life. And again, *self-examination* as to that inward work of grace, whether it has proceeded so far as to lead the sinner to the exercise of a "*lively faith in God's mercy through Christ* ;" in other words, to a "*faith that worketh by love*," that "*overcometh and renounceth the world* ;" for no other faith is a lively faith, a faith which expects mercy only through the merits of Christ, renouncing all other trust and hope.

We cannot say who thus repents and believes and who does not ; but, brethren, we can earnestly and faithfully teach and maintain that none but such as do thus examine themselves, and in such examination do intelligently trust that they are thus penitent and believing, should come to confirmation any more than to the communion ; and while we encourage all such freely to come to both, we can and ought to warn all others that they come not ; and if any apply to be received, who, besides their sufficient knowledge of Christian doctrine, are not able to profess that they have thus seriously and solemnly examined themselves, and that they do thus trust that they find in themselves the evidences of a true repentance and a lively faith, and are fully purposed, in spirit and in truth, in reality as well as name, to renounce "the pomps and vanities of the world," as well as "the sinful lusts of the flesh," and (as one plainly required act of obedience, and one so nearly connected with confirmation,) to participate in the communion which the Lord has commanded, we ought not to admit them to be confirmed. Must the Bishop, administering confirmation, say in the first prayer of the office, " Almighty God, who has vouchsafed to regenerate these thy servants by water and the Holy Ghost, and hast given unto them forgiveness of all their sins," and must he not at least have the comfort of feeling assured that, while he can know whether their sins are forgiven, only as they profess to have truly *repented*, and to be now in the exercise of "*a lively faith in God's mercy through Christ*," and it is only on that supposed profession that the Church puts into his mouth that prayer—must he not, I say, have the comfort of the assurance that all who come to be confirmed do consider themselves as making that profession in the very act of coming ; that their pastor, who presents them, has duly ascertained from each of them that such is their profession and such is their understanding, and that he has solemnly exhorted them that what they thus trust and profess, shall be, according to the admo-

nition of the Church, in consequence of having first solemnly "*examined themselves*"?

How painful to a Bishop to have to utter those words of prayer over a company of persons presented, and yet not have the confidence that the pastor has been faithful to secure, as far as he can, that self-examination, that right understanding of what each must be considered as doing, that actual, personal, inward and real, as well as outward and ceremonial profession of true repentance and "lively faith." Be persuaded, we shall never gain souls to Christ, or honor to the Gospel, or prosperity to the Church, or increase to its spiritual strength; we shall never advance one single step in the fulfilment of our ministry, by relaxing or keeping in the background these plain and self-evident terms. "*To this man,*" saith the Lord, "*will I look, even to him that is humble and of a contrite spirit and that trembleth at my word.*" Many others, when he hath shut the door, will stand without and cry: "Lord, Lord, open unto us," and they will plead that they have "eaten and drunk in his presence," been at his table, and in his name "done many wonderful works," but to none of them will he look, because the contrite heart, the obedient, new heart, the living faith, is not in them. He will say: "I never knew you,"—"workers of iniquity" he will call them. They have deceived themselves. But alas! did any minister of the Gospel, by keeping back from them the truth, by encouraging them to Gospel ordinances before they had examined themselves, whether they had a gospel repentance and a lively faith; did any minister assist and promote their self-delusion? Let us be careful. True, we must not break the bruised reed, nor quench the smoking flax; but we must ask, is the reed a *bruised* reed? Is the heart a contrite heart? Is the flax the *smoking* flax? Is the fire of a true love in the heart? It may be very feeble, as the fire in the flax, when it is so weak that the smoke is its only evidence, but the fire must be there nevertheless,

and it will find some way to manifest itself, and nothing can supply its place.

I have thus enlarged on this subject, brethren, not only that I may again, as I have often done before, contribute my feeble effort to keep up, what there are so many influences at work to depress, namely: the right standard of qualification for, and a strict faithfulness in admitting to confirmation, and hence to the communion—a door which requires continual watching; but that I may encourage you and help your patience and steadfastness, when the trial of having very few candidates to present, after long and earnest laboring, is bearing upon you.

We are all compassed with infirmities. Man loves the praise of man. It is thought an evidence of a successful minister and a prospering parish when a large flock is presented for confirmation. It may be such evidence—it may not be. A faithful minister is tempted by the desire of such evidence to open the door too wide, to relax the requisitions or not to urge them as he should, to withhold the needed warning, to yield an unmerited encouragement, to urge where he should not. The comparison of his parish with others in point of confirmation may be painful to him. Be faithful. Leave results to God. Have not Bishops the same temptation? Are there not comparisons between Dioceses as well as parishes? If a looser system is practised, and a wider door is opened in other Dioceses, than that which I have always inculcated, must not comparisons be drawn between the number brought to confirmation there and here, which must seem unfavorable to the comparative prosperity of the Church in this Diocese? None of these things move me, and I trust will not move you. I have learned how little is learned by the mere numbering of the people. The question should first be asked, on what terms, by what rule, more or less strict, are candidates for confirmation admitted by the pastor, and presented to the Bishop? Let us stand by our duty, seeking our reward in our duty, and our praise of God.

As your present meeting precedes the annual examinations of our College and Theological Seminary, I can say nothing to you of those matters; but of the condition of our Institutions I can speak with the greatest satisfaction. Great has been the increase of students in the College and preparatory school since the last Convention, exceeding far our highest expectations. Under the able, the mild, firm, judicious and untiring administration of the President, who exceeds the hopes entertained in his election, aided by the faithful coöperation of the other officers of the College, not only has the course of study been vigorously pursued, but the order has been excellent, and in every thing pertaining to the morals and discipline of the institution, the administration has been marked with great efficiency. The most cheering aspect of the College and its preparatory school, is the large proportion of young men connected with the communion of the Church, and pursuing a course of study preparatory to that of the Theological Seminary, of whose general character and promise I have received very encouraging accounts. From this source, the number of students in the Theological Seminary is expected to be seventeen during the next term, while there will be some thirty or forty others in different degrees of advancement towards their entrance on theological studies.

The indefatigable and devoted Agent of the Missionary and Education Committee, the Rev. Mr. Strong, whose time has been almost entirely given to the education branch since we last met, in ascertaining suitable persons to be educated for the ministry, and providing for their support as beneficiaries at Gambier, has been very successful. I have received the most favorable opinions from the Eastern States, where he spent the winter and spring, of the prudence and faithfulness of his work. Not only has his mission resulted in a large accession to the number of our students preparing, at various stages, for the ministry, but it has secured the means required for their support; and so far as

we have had time to know the character and promise of those thus gathered, there has been as little mistake as the nature of such a work admits, and there is abundant reason to be satisfied with the measure.

Two things must be done in the present state of the Church. We must sound the call for more laborers. Far and wide must be the effort to recruit the ranks of our ministry. But in this there is great danger of enlisting the unworthy as well as the worthy, the inefficient and useless, as well as the reverse. Therefore, must there be increased carefulness as to the character, the piety, the devotedness, the spiritual intelligence, the common sense, the soundness, as well as the strength of mind of those who are encouraged to offer themselves, especially of those whom we take the responsibility of aiding as beneficiaries in their preparation. This I feel very seriously. I dread the effect of the present loud call all through our Dioceses for more ministers, unless there be a corresponding watchfulness at the door of candidateship and of ordination, lest we gather in what will only encumber us, or more seriously and directly injure and dishonor the ministry. I feel, more and more, how feeble, necessarily, is the protection afforded by the testimonials demanded by our canons. It is not the fault of the testimonials. Great responsibility rests on him who first encourages a young man to think of the ministry. I have found the agency of Mr. Strong of great use in this connection, and I am happy to say that your Education Committee seem to realize the responsibility of their trust more and more, as applications for their aid increase, and seem to be determined to act with decision and faithfulness in separating from their patronage any who may fall short of the just expectations of the Church. I think it a fact which speaks well for the carefulness with which our plan is worked, that recently the committee have decided not to adopt as beneficiaries four candidates who have been on their probation at Gambier, and whose expectations it was painful to disappoint, recommended as they were, by very favorable testimonials from abroad.

Few things have more encouraged me lately in this cause than such faithfulness of spirit in that committee, and I trust it will ever continue.

Means are now needed to finish the rooms in Bexley Hall, which are still unprepared for residence. We must meet the increase of theological students by increase of accommodations.

We cannot dispense with our diocesan paper, the Western Episcopalian, which the Rev. Mr. Badger, with so little aid and no remuneration, with so much effort and little encouragement, has patiently carried on for years past; and yet there is great danger that it will perish for want of patronage. What I should do without it, as a means of communication with the clergy and parishes, when I would not put the Diocese to the expense of a special publication, I know not. We cannot realize how much we need such a paper, till we have it not. I do not introduce the subject with a view to its being taken up by the Convention, for it is not the proper ground of conventional action; but an effort, I suppose, will be made to bring it before the brethren here present individually, and I now speak of it only to express my earnest interest in the support of that paper, and how deeply I deprecate its being allowed to go down.

I desire to commend to your favorable regard and support, the Bishop White Prayer Book Society, located in Philadelphia. Our parishes and ministers often need prayer books for gratuitous circulation. There is no better way of obtaining them than by collections for and donations to that society.

I would earnestly recommend also the Evangelical Knowledge Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Committee and Agency and Depository of which are in New York. It would be a good work, could we obtain the wide circulation and reading of its books, and tracts, and Parish Visitor, in all the families of all our parishes. How forcible

the tracts of Ryle; how able and instructive the works of Bishop Lee of Delaware; how edifying the biographies of such men as Martyn, and Venn, and Simeon, and Bedell, and Milnor, etc., published by that Society, not to speak of a variety of other admirable books for readers of all ages, which that rapidly strengthening institution has put forth.

You are all aware of the interesting and important subjects of consideration which now occupy the minds of leading clergy and laity of the Church, in consequence of the "Memorial of sundry Presbyters," presented to the House of Bishops, at the last General Convention, and in regard to which a committee of that House has since been earnestly engaged. The general object of the Memorial is the better adjustment of our church polity, and worship, and ministry, to the necessities of the work of the Church, as that work brings the Church into contact with the peculiarities of the present age, and the various conditions of men—a most important object certainly, and one which a church should never shrink from contemplating. We have no idea that any essential or any prominent feature of our institutions needs changing; but that in the incidental and circumstantial there may be cause for change and room for improvement, it were folly to deny. It is a happy feature of the present movement that party feelings and views seem not to have had any hand in its origin or progress; that freedom of discussion, breadth of inquiry, and moderation and kindness of spirit, seem to have governed thus far in whatever steps have been taken. What will come of it we cannot possibly anticipate. I cannot but hope, however, that much good, eventually, under the blessing of God, will be the result, though the way may be long and the progress necessarily slow. It is a matter which should engage our prayers, that the Spirit of the Lord may be the Counselor, directing in all that is determined on, and saving the Church from the dangers to which all such movements are liable.

I have no idea of entering here into any discussion or expression of

opinion in regard to what may be done, or what ought to be done, in connection with the general object of the Memorial. If not premature, there is not time now for such enlargement of this address. But I may say a few words as to restrictions which some seem to imagine are upon us, and need to be removed or relaxed. I refer to the idea that when we are called, in the faithful fulfillment of our ministry, to preach where our regular Morning or Evening Prayer are out of place, where the people either have yet to be taught the first elements of worship, or from other cause are wholly unprepared to unite in our Liturgy, we are bound, nevertheless, however painful the obligation, and ill-adapted the service, to use the whole Morning or Evening Prayer, as the rubrics direct, until the Church shall provide some other way. I desire to say that I can not judge the wisdom of the Church so unfavorably as to imagine that she ever intended by one form to provide for all possible circumstances under which her ministers might be called to preach and pray in congregations of sinners. It is impossible that such a form should be suitable; it is impossible that the Church should ever have supposed it could provide a form that would be thus universally suitable. You might as well say that a missionary among the heathen, where the English tongue was never heard, must not only conduct all his public worship, from the beginning of his work, with our whole Liturgy, but with that Liturgy in the English language. Grant that he may accommodate it by a translation—especially, that he may accommodate it by selections to the state of the heathen audience, and you grant that he is not bound, in his peculiar circumstances, by all our rubrics—that he may exercise his discretion in departing from the usages of our regularly constituted and trained congregations. But if you grant that discretion to the foreign missionary, you must concede it to the domestic, according to his circumstances: and if to the missionary officially so called, then to every minister who does missionary work

in any place whatever. And this is just the liberty which I understand to be now in our possession. It is reasonable; it is necessary. Our Church never was so unwise as to compel the child to wear the garments of the man; or to expect her ministers to do a work which all common sense acknowledges is most unsuitable. There must be confidence in the discretion of the clergy to adapt what was prepared for certain circumstances, to circumstances for which it was not prepared. I think we have all the liberty that is needed here, without any new legislation.

But here I must guard my meaning. I have spoken exclusively of calls of solemn duty, where we are called to go and preach to a destitute people. But occasions of mere choice or accommodation — where no positive duty calls — where there is no reason to suppose there will be any serious lack of the ministry if we go not, are on a different footing. There we have no exigency to meet. The occasion, therefore, must be accommodated to the regular Liturgy, and not the Liturgy to the unimperative occasion. I do not think we have liberty there to depart from our usual service. If we can not take the Liturgy with us, I think we should not go, inasmuch as duty does not absolutely call. If the Church should ever provide otherwise, very well. But at present, I think, the rule is as I have now expressed it.

Again: there is much opinion expressed in the Memorial, and by those who have written on the subjects introduced therein, that our service, at least our morning service, is too long. Whether, when we strictly conform to what is required, adding nothing that is not required, spending no time in our service about appendages which are purely voluntary and of no benefit, the service needs abridgement, I will not now express any opinion. There will be a better opportunity when that question is to be acted on. But that we often *make* the service too long; that, in many parts of our Church it is made much too long,

by unedifying, or at least needless, additions to what the rubrics require, I have no doubt. It is a subject, brethren, which demands your serious consideration. One thing is certain, the *required* service is long enough. The good of our congregations demands that it should be made no longer. Let us then consider how we are chargeable with needless and unprofitable additions, which it were better to avoid.

Before the beginning of the appointed service, when the minister is ready, and the time has come for its commencement, the precious moments are often occupied with an anthem, or something analogous, and sometimes very long, for which no rubrical provision is made, and which is, almost always, not only selected by, but introduced or omitted at the single discretion of the choir. It is usually a mere *performance* by the orchestra! which the people are not expected and are unable, to unite in; and frequently the music is set to words unknown to, and that can not be distinguished by, the congregation. Let it be remembered that the service of the Church has not commenced, until such prefixes are ended. By all means, let the people sit while they are in progress; for the worship has not begun, and their strength should be kept for its own sufficient requirements. I think all the addition made to the length of the service by such preliminaries, however well executed and well intended, should be avoided. Again: in my younger days, the Gloria Patri was not generally read or sung, except at the end of the Psalter, where it is required. It is not required any where else. But now, at a time when we are met on every side with complaints that our service is too long, and it is so much the question how it may be best abridged, the custom is to sing the Gloria Patri at the end of every anthem, and sometimes at the end of every psalm in the daily Psalter. Thus time is needlessly spent. I think that in the present state of our required service, it would be wise to confine the Gloria Patri to the end of the Psalter, and omit it every where else,

especially when the time occupied in the use of it is increased by its being chanted. Such was old custom in most of our Churches. Composers of music books, for the most part, not ministers or congregations, have changed it. Again : there is a most unprofitable and inexcusable protraction in the voluntaries, with which the organ often introduces the chants and hymns ; but especially in those voluntaries which are played between the verses of the psalms and hymns, at the discretion of the organist, and often to the great detriment of the worship of the congregation. Of what possible use are they to the devotion of the people ? Why must a whole congregation be kept standing, in silence and weariness, to listen simply to an organ ? Why must the devotional sentiment of the hymn, and the connection of thought in the mind of the worshiper, be interrupted to give place simply to the playing of an organ ? The voluntaries are often so long, that they make a serious addition to the length of our services ; the more so, when it is recollectcd that the people are standing while they proceed. I have never known a congregation that did not complain of them ; and still they are tolerated, as if it were supposed they actually belong to the prescribed order of our worship. They are the rubric of the organist, not of the Church. We have not time for them — we have not strength to spend in standing to listen to them. We are inquiring on all sides how our services may be abridged without impairing their integrity. Here is one way — and an easy way. Five minutes, at least — often ten — sometimes fifteen and twenty, would be gained in many churches, by laying aside such useless things as I have now adverted to ; and that would be a gain of an important proportion of the whole time of our morning prayer. But again : have we not often too much chanting, especially when the Te Deum is sung, unless our chanting is brought to its proper simplicity, which would make it occupy scarcely more time than ordinary deliberate reading. I once

timed a Te Deum, not unfrequently sung, which occupied eleven minutes; and all that while the people were standing in silence; for, of course, they could not unite in it. Can we complain that our service should seem too long, when such things are done? Often the chants to other parts are much too long; witness the most common, and at the same time the least devotional, of those employed for the Gloria Patri, and certain chants that are often used at the announcement of the Gospel. The longer, the less suitable, is a general rule with chants for public worship; because the longer, ordinarily, the less simple, the more complex, the least adapted to the use of the congregation, and the more expensive of time and of the strength of those who wish to stand when the praises of God are sung.

I believe that, simply, by having better music, because more simple; by restricting the organ to being the accompaniment, instead of being ever the suspension of the worship, and by having neither reading nor singing where no rubric requires either, till we come to the metrical psalm or hymn, we may avoid a great deal of that weariness to the flesh, which, without any remunerating benefit, causes our services to seem to many, and especially to the aged, too long. For this we need no legislation. And is it not worth our while to see to it?

This leads me to the general subject of singing in our congregations. How little we have of it! Singing *to* our congregations we have in abundance. But what a poor substitute it is for that singing of the praises of God *in* the congregation and *by* the congregation, which our service contemplates, and for the absence of which, as a matter of devotion, the best music that man ever executed can make no amends. We have become so accustomed to the surrender of all that delightful portion of our public worship to the organ and the choir, the whole congregation being contented to listen to a mere *performance* of sacred music, when they are expected all to unite in the vocal praise of God,

that we have ceased in a great degree to realize how greatly we have departed from our duty, and our pleasure, and profit, in that part of our worship. Why should not all the responses be given up to the choir, as well as all the psalms and hymns? If it would strike you as a very miserable way of conducting worship to have one voice in the gallery to respond in place of the whole congregation; how is the case improved when a few voices in the gallery are singing in place of the whole congregation? I never saw the man who did not feel that the singing of a whole assembly, however plain the music, and imperfectly executed, is unspeakably more like the reality of worship, and in accordance with the character of a Church of God; more impressive, more effective, more calculated to aid devotional affections, than the solitary performances of the best orchestra that ever engrossed to itself the singing of the praises of God.

I desire very earnestly to call the attention of the clergy to this subject. CONGREGATIONAL SINGING, with or without the aid of an organ and a choir, is the only singing that answers the ends of public worship. We have far too little of it. In many of our churches it is almost dead. In many it is quite dead. I speak not of this Diocese now, but of our whole Church. The performance of music by a choir often seems to be considered the whole attainment to be desired, as if to listen to performances, instead of to worship with voice and heart, were the whole duty of man, in that part of our services. But can we consent to this? Where is the remedy? Do you say the people will not sing? Certainly they will not, when chants and tunes are sung that are so new, so difficult, so often changed for others equally new, that not only have they never learned them, but learn them they can not. But how is it when so familiar a tune as Old Hundred is sung? Do not the people then unite? How is it in the lecture room, the prayer meeting, in the hymn before the Communion? Do not the people

join? Why? Because tunes are sung which are familiar—so simple as to be easily learned—so adapted that no special cultivation of ear or voice is needed for their adoption. And if you would see to it that such tunes and chants alone are sung; if you will prevent this constant introduction of new music, without the least regard to the rights of the congregation; if you will see to it that, not display of voices, nor exhibition of art, but simply the devotional feelings and profit of the people, are consulted in the selection of the chants and tunes, and in the manner of their execution, you will remove all the causes that have led to the evils we now deplore, and will do very much to elevate our public worship, in this very important branch, to a measure of interest in which, in some places of worship, where there are neither choirs nor organs, we are far exceeded, in the judgment of the truly spiritual worshiper.

And is it not the duty of the clergy to see to this? Is not the duty of seeing to it entirely committed to the clergy? I would revive in your recollections the law of the Church, printed in every Prayer Book, just before the Psalms in Metre, where it is written thus: "It shall be the duty of every minister, with such assistance as he can obtain from persons skilled in music, to give order concerning the tunes to be sung at any time in his Church; and especially it shall be his duty to suppress all light and unseemly music."

All light and unseemly music! Music merely for the exhibition of musical art, on the part of a few, which the congregation cannot unite in; which the very nature of the performance forbids them to unite in; especially, which is so executed that it requires a very nice ear to ascertain any of the words sung—much more to catch them so as to join them together and extract the hidden sentiment of devotion; music therefore which is as much worshiping in an *unknown tongue* as ever Romish Mass could be—and therefore cannot be worship to the congre-

gation in any degree. I ask you whether such music, no matter how well performed, is not indeed "*light and unseemly*," considering the rights of the congregation and the only true nature of Christian worship? What if our reading of prayers should be such that what we say could not be heard; so mumbled or so rapid that the people could not join or follow—would it not be "*light and unseemly*"? What if we should preach, simply for exhibition of rhetoric or gesture, of art of composition or delivery, so that the mass of our hearers, especially the unlettered, could learn nothing from us—would it not be "*light and unseemly*"? And must not our hymns and psalms be as intelligible, and as much a part of our *common* prayer and praise, as the prayers we read, and as level to the minds of the humble and unlettered as our sermons?

To the minister, as you have just seen, there is given dominion over the tunes sung. There is no need ordinarily that he should select each tune, though in my visitations I have sometimes had to do that, when I knew that otherwise there would be "*unseemly music*," such as the minister is required to prevent. But the minister should so exercise his authority, (and there is a way of exercising it, kindly, gently, considerately, so as to give no offence and to carry the consent and approbation of all with him,) he should so exercise his authority as to suppress such selections of tunes, as by their frequent newness, and especially by their want of simplicity and facility of adaptation, deprive the congregation of their privilege of vocally uniting in them; and he should secure that general rule of selection which will insure to the people the tunes which, by the usage of generations, they are able every where to join in, with such additions only, now and then, if additions are really needed, as the people, by frequent repetition, may reasonably be expected to learn.

I believe that, in this way, under the proper exhortation of the min-

ister, we may have what, in so many places is lost—real “*common prayer*” and *common praise*, when the psalms, and hymns, and anthems are sung, as well as when they are read.

I have now occupied, Brethren, so much time, that I must abruptly conclude by expressing to you my great pleasure in meeting you again, my fervent love for you all, and my earnest prayer that He who has promised to be in the midst of them who are assembled in His name, may not suffer you to separate without filling you with the blessing of His grace.

CHAS. P. McILVAINE.

After which the Convention took a recess till two o'clock, p. m.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention assembled agreeably to adjournment.

Rev. Dr. Claxton offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That in view of the late Providential deliverance of our beloved Bishop from imminent and fearful peril at the Falls of the Ohio, the Rev. Mr. McElroy, being one of the oldest Presbyters of the Diocese, be now called upon to conduct a short devotional exercise, expressive of the gratitude of the members of this Convention to Almighty God, for said deliverance.

Which, being put to the house by the mover, was carried, and the Convention engaged in such exercise.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

Rev. Mr. Cumming offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the Bishop be respectfully requested to embody so much of his Address as relates to the subjects of Confirmation and Church Music, in the form of a Pastoral to the clergy and laity of the Church, with his request that it be read publicly by the ministers of the churches in this Diocese, to their respective congregations.

Rev. Mr. Schenck offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as refers to the Memorial now before the Commission of Bishops, be referred to a select committee of three.

The Chair appointed Rev. Mr. Schenck, Rev. Dr. Butler, and Mr. S. N. Sanford said committee.

Rev. Mr. Cumming called up the resolution offered this morning to appoint a committee to nominate a Board of Trustees for the Theological Seminary, when the resolution was carried, and the Bishop appointed the following: Rev. Mr. Cumming, Rev. Mr. Blake and Mr. E. Adams.

Rev. Dr. Claxton, on behalf of the committee on Canons, read the following report on the subject of the proposed change in Article II of the Constitution, fixing the time of holding the annual Conventions:

The committee on Canons, to whom was referred the proposal to change the time for holding the annual session of the Convention, respectfully report:

That having fully considered the subject, they deem the first Thursday in June preferable to any other time that has been named for the purpose. They find that almost all the Diocesan Conventions of our Church are held between the first of May and the latter part of June, and in this general agreement of Dioceses so widely distributed over our land, they see a probable reason for preferring this time of the year.

In the past experience of our own Diocese they observe that of 28 annual conventions, 14 have been held in September and 10 in June. They see, however, many reasons why the former month is unsuited to our present condition. In the southern part of this Diocese the heat at that season of the year is peculiarly oppressive. When epidemics prevail, the months of August and September are usually months of peculiar affliction; and even in ordinary seasons, in very many sections of this state, there is in September a larger than usual amount of sickness, calling for the presence of the pastors with their people, and of the laity with their families.

Your committee would be willing to accede to the suggestion that has been made of fixing the first Thursday in November for the meet-

ing, if it were not for the fact, that in the northern part of the Diocese the weather at that time is usually such as would add to the cares of those who might entertain the members of the Convention, by requiring the use of fires in their apartments. For this and some other reasons they are satisfied that *June* is on the whole preferable to any other month for our purpose.

They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Article II of the Constitution be amended by omitting the words after *Diocese*, in the first paragraph, and inserting "*on the first Thursday in June in each year.*"

R. BETHELL CLAXTON.
WM. KEY BOND.
JOHN W. ANDREWS, } Committee.

Mr. T. C. Jones moved to recommit the Report, with instructions to report in stead thereof, a resolution fixing the time for holding the Convention for the year 1856; which was carried, and the committee then reported the following substitute:

The committee on Canons having had their report recommitted with instructions to propose a time for the holding of the next Annual Convention, respectfully recommend—

That the next annual Convention be held on the first Thursday in June, 1856.

On behalf of committee,

R. B. CLAXTON, *Chairman.*

And the report was then adopted.

On motion,

Resolved, That the next Convention of this Diocese be held in the Chapel of Harcourt Parish, Gambier, on the 1st Thursday of June, 1856.

Judge Hall, of Cincinnati, offered the following resolutions, which were referred to the committee on Canons :

1. *Resolved*, That the endowment of Kenyon College and the Theological Seminary, having been solemnly committed by its founders and benefactors, in trust, to the Episcopal Church in Ohio, and to this Convention, in perpetuity, for the advancement of religion and education, and for no other purpose, we, the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, and the members thereof, are bound in conscience to our said benefactors, to the public, and to posterity, to see that the said endowment be kept entire, and not diminished nor dilapidated under any pretense, and that no part thereof be diverted from its original purpose, or used for current expenses, or for any occasional purpose ; and that,

therefore, it shall not be lawful hereafter for the Board of Trustees, or any one acting under them, to use or expend the said permanent endowment, or any part thereof, whether resulting from the sale of land, the endowment of scholarships or professorships, or otherwise, except to invest the same in some safe and permanent form for income : Provided, always, that the said Board may lawfully control and use for current purposes, or for reinvestment, according to their discretion, the annual interest or periodical income arising out of said endowment.

2. *Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Board of Trustees, to present to the Bishop, to be by him laid before the Convention, at every annual meeting thereof, a detailed report of the condition of the College and Theological Seminary, for the past year, embracing all the facts necessary to a full and true understanding of the history, discipline, police, courses of study, and actual condition of said College and Seminary, the number of students, with the increase or decrease from year to year, and also especially a detailed statement of all moneys received and expended in any and every department, and for any and every purpose, with dates and accurate amounts of each item of such receipts and expenditures ; and to this end, the Board of Trustees shall require *annual reports in writing* to be made to them by the President of the College, the Treasurer, and all officers and agents having charge of separate departments of duty, in their employ, which reports, when they relate to the receipt or expenditure of money, should be accompanied by exhibits, receipts and vouchers, verifying the same, all which reports, vouchers, and accompanying documents, shall be subject to the call of the Convention and its members, and be exhibited to the Convention and its committees when called for.

Mr. J. W. Andrews offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to inquire and report to the next Convention, some plan by which the Convention may receive and hold such funds as may from time to time come under its control for charitable purposes, or for the use of the Diocese.

Which was carried, and the Bishop appointed as said committee : Messrs. J. W. Andrews, T. C. Jones, and W. B. Thrall.

On motion by Rev. Dr. Claxton, the proposition to amend the Constitution, found on page 13 of the last Journal, was so far approved that it may lie over for the action of the next Convention.

Rev. Mr. McElroy read the following report of the committee of Finance, on assessments for the ensuing year, which was adopted :

1855.]

of the Diocese of Ohio.

ASSESSMENTS FOR 1855-56.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Conting't Fund.
Akron, St. Paul's.....	\$15	\$6
Ashtabula, St. Peter's.....	25	6
Bellevue, St. Paul's.....	10	2
Berkshire, Grace.....	10	2
Boardman, St. James'.....	10	2
Canfield, St. Stephen's.....	8	2
Centreville, St. David's.....	5	1
Chillicothe, St. Paul's.....	75	12
Cincinnati, Christ.....	260	55
Cincinnati, St. John's.....	190	30
Cincinnati, St. Paul's.....	190	30
Cincinnati, Trinity.....	5	1
Circleville, St. Philip's.....	35	10
Cleveland, Grace.....	50	10
Cleveland, St. John's.....	40	10
Cleveland, St. Paul's.....	100	15
Cleveland, Trinity.....	110	15
Columbia, St. Luke's.....	2	1
Columbus, St. Paul's.....	12	6
Columbus, Trinity.....	85	20
Cross Creek, St. James'.....	8	5
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's.....	25	5
Dayton, Christ.....	70	10
Defiance, Grace.....	2	1
Delaware, St. Peter's.....	55	11
Dresden, Zion.....	15	5
East Liverpool, St. Stephen's.....	1	1
East Plymouth, St. Matthew's.....	3	2
East Springfield, St. John's.....	8	2
Elyria, St. Andrew's.....	5	2
Euclid, St. Paul's.....	6	1
Franklin, Christ.....	5	1
Fremont, St. Paul's.....	5	1
Gambier, Harcourt.....	50	8
Grafton, St. Stephen's.....	3	2
Granville, St. Luke's.....	15	5
Greenville, St. Paul's.....	2	2
Hamilton, St. Matthew's.....	1	1
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's.....	1	1
Hillsboro, St. Mary's.....	12	3
Hudson, Christ.....	20	6
Huron, Christ.....	4	2
Ironton, Christ.....	3	2
Jefferson, Trinity.....	5	1
Kingston, St. James'.....	4	1
Lancaster, St. John's.....	15	5

ASSESSMENTS—CONTINUED.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	Episcopate Fund.	Conting't Fund.
Lyme, Trinity.....	\$8	\$2
Madison, St. Matthew's.....	8	2
Mansfield, Grace.....	15	5
Marietta, St. Luke's.....	15	6
Marion, St. Paul's	8	2
Massillon, St. Timothy's.....	50	12
Maumee City, St. Paul's	5	2
Medina, St. Paul's	35	5
Milan, St. Luke's.....	6	2
Mill Creek, St. Mark's.....	5	2
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's.....	80	12
Mt. Vernon, Christ.....	8	2
Newark, Trinity	33	9
Newton Falls, St. Mark's.....	5	3
Norwalk, St. Paul's.....	35	10
Oberlin, Christ.....	5	2
Painesville, St. James'.....	15	6
Penfield, Christ.....	2	1
Peninsula, Bethel.....	3	1
Perry, St. Matthew's.....	4	2
Piqua, St. James'.....	60	12
Pomeroy, Grace	15	5
Portsmouth, All Saints'.....	80	12
Rome, St. Peter's.....	1	1
Sandusky, Grace.....	75	11
Springfield, Christ.....	15	5
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas'.....	2	1
Steubenville, St. Paul's	65	12
Strongsville, St. Philip's	2	1
Toledo, Trinity.....	55	10
Troy, Trinity.....	10	2
Unionville, St. Michael's	1	1
Urbana, Epiphany.....	8	2
Wakeman, St. John's.....	2	1
Warren, Christ.....	25	6
Wooster, St. James'.....	10	3
Worthington, St. John's.....	10	3
Xenia, Christ	5	2
Yellow Springs, Christ.....	5	1
Zanesville, St. James'.....	100	14

JAMES MCELROY,
KENT JARVIS,
JAMES HALL, } Committees.

Rev. Mr. Blake, Treasurer of the Missionary and Education committee, read his annual report, which was referred to the standing committee on Missions:

A. BLAKE, Treasurer, in account with the MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION FUNDS of the Diocese of Ohio.

	Dr.
Balance, Sept., 1854.....	\$1015 30
Convention collection at Sandusky.....	41 00
Akron, St. Paul's.....	6 00
Ashtabula, St. Peter's.....	2 50
Boardman, St. James'	5 20
Chillicothe, St. Paul's	94 00
Cincinnati, Christ.....	693 30
Cincinnati, St. John's.....	205 85
Cincinnati, St. Paul's.....	189 20
Circleville, St. Philip's, H. Lawrence.....	50 00
Cleveland, St. John's.....	30 00
Cleveland, St. Paul's	83 00
Columbus, Trinity.....	36 00
Cross Creek, St. James'	5 00
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's.....	44 00
Delaware, St. Peter's.....	20 00
Dresden, Zion.....	54 00
Elyria, St. Andrew's	25 00
Euclid, St. Paul's, Mrs. Dutton.....	1 00
Granville, St. Luke's, \$2 50 ; Female Benevolent Society, \$5 ; S. N. Sanford, \$5.....	12 50
Huron, Christ.....	5 00
Ironton, Christ	10 00
Lancaster, St. John's.....	20 00
Marietta, St. Luke's.....	26 60
Massillon, St. Timothy's, \$15 ; Female Miss. Soc., \$25	40 00
Norwalk, St. Paul's.....	40 00
Painesville, St. James'	15 00
Piqua, St. James', \$35 ; Member of, \$15.....	50 00
Pomeroy, Grace	10 00
Portsmouth, All Saints'	169 70
Springfield, Christ, Convocation coll., \$17 57 ; Sund. School, \$3 ; Church, \$7.....	27 57
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas'	11 00
Steubenville, St. Paul's	127 25
Urbana, Epiphany.....	50
Warren, Christ	5 50
Worthington, St. John's.....	5 00
Yellow Springs, Christ.....	6 85
Zanesville, St. James'	50 00

Mrs. M. Shotwell, Cincinnati.....	10 00
— Sprague, Wadsworth.....	5 00
Mrs. Maxwell, Kingston.....	5 00
Friends of Missions	147 50

	\$3399 62
Collected out of Ohio, per Agent.....	1509 10

	\$4908 72

1854-5.	CONTRA.	Cr.
Cash paid to July 1st—		
" Rev. H. Blackaller.....	\$100 00	
" Rev. T. Corlett.....	112 50	
" Rev. D. Barker.....	44 44	
" Rev. C. S. Doolittell.....	75 00	
" Rev. F. Granger.....	112 50	
" Rev. H. Hollis	60 00	
" Rev. S. Marks.....	75 00	
" Rev. R. K. Nash.....	112 50	
" Rev. D. Risser	50 00	
" Rev. G. B. Sturges.....	131 25	
" Rev. W. B. Rally.....	75 00	
" Rev. J. E. Ryan.....	75 00	
" Rev. A. Edwards	50 00	
" Rev. N. C. Pridham.....	10 00	1083 19
" Beneficiaries in full standing.....		921 90
" Beneficiaries on probation.....		1011 16
" Agent's salary.....		562 50
" Agent's traveling expenses and incidental.....		241 98
" Postage, &c.....		4 00
Balance on hand.....		1083 99

		\$4908 72

Rev. Dr. Smith, of the Theological Seminary, having announced that a layman of our Church in Philadelphia, had placed in his charge one hundred copies of "Goode's Better Covenant," for distribution among the clergy of this Diocese, on motion of Rev. Mr. Holden, the thanks of this Convention were unanimously tendered to the donor for his generous gift.

On motion by Rev. Mr. McElroy, the report of the

committee on Female Education was made the order of the day for Saturday morning at half past nine o'clock.

The Convention then adjourned till to-morrow morning at nine o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention met and engaged in prayer.

The roll was called, and in addition to those heretofore present the Rev. Mr. Boyd, and Mr. C. P. Buckingham, answered and took their seats.

The Bishop read the annual report of the Betts' Library Fund, as follows:

FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

Of the "Charles D. Betts Library Fund" of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio.

Balance in hand per last Report,	:	:	:	:	\$202 71
Interest since received,	-	-	-	-	50 00
					\$252 71

Paid for—

Wordsworth on the Apocalypse,	-	-	-	-	\$2 00
Wordsworth on Inspiration and Canon of Scripture,	-	-	-	-	1 00
Hackett on the Acts,	-	-	-	-	2 25
History of Israelites, by Alexander,	-	-	-	-	1 60
Fairbairn's Typology,	-	-	-	-	2 50
Pearson on Infidelity,	-	-	-	-	1 60
Cruden's Concordance,	-	-	-	-	3 00
Conybeare and Howson on St. Paul,	-	-	-	-	5 00
Robinson's Greek Lexicon, 3 copies,	-	-	-	-	12 75
Robinson's Hebrew Lexicon, 4 copies,	-	-	-	-	19 20
Waddington's Church History, 2 copies,	-	-	-	-	4 00
Neander's Church History, 5 vols., -	-	-	-	-	12 00
Murdock's Syriac Testament,	-	-	-	-	1 60
History of Council of Trent,	-	-	-	-	1 75

Bibliotheca Sacra, 2 vols., - - - - -	6 00
Encyclopedia Britannica, 2 vols., - - - - -	10 00
Dick's Lectures, 3 copies, - - - - -	6 00
Transportation, - - - - -	5 15
	\$95 40
Amount on hand, - - - - -	\$157 31

CHAS. P. McILVAINE,
President of Theological Seminary.

The Treasurer read his report of payments informally, in order to give opportunity for corrections.

Rev. Mr. Schenck, from the committee on that part of the Bishop's address which relates to the Memorial before the Commission of Bishops, offered the following resolutions as the result of the committee's deliberations, which were made the order of the day this afternoon:

Resolved, That this Convention is deeply impressed with the importance of the movement now being made to increase the efficiency of our church system, and would hereby express its earnest solicitude for the successful completion of the work so auspiciously begun.

Resolved, That as servants of Christ, and as ministers of his Holy Gospel, we have an individual interest in every proposed change in the constitution and administration of our Church—and so deem it our privilege and our duty to seek upon all proper occasions for a frank and fraternal interchange of opinion upon this great subject which now fills the minds and hearts of churchmen, to the end that the true sentiment of the Church may find expression, and exercise its influence, in settling the questions now pending.

Resolved, That we call upon each other, and our brethren in the Church at large, to engage in renewed and unceasing prayer, that that Spirit from whom "all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed," will "direct and govern" in all the deliberations of our Church, and so order the hearts of our spiritual rulers that the work now begun in Him, may be continued and ended to His glory.

N. H. SCHENCK, } Committee.
S. N. SANFORD, }

Rev. Mr. Fairchild, from the committee of Examination, reported that they had received and examined the papers relative to the organization of the Parish of Christ Church, Oberlin, and finding them in order, re-

commended that said Parish be received into union with this Convention, which was unanimously agreed to.

Mr. Lorin Andrews, President of Kenyon College, read the following report of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary and College, which was unanimously accepted :

To the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio:

The Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, beg leave to make the following report, on the present and prospective condition of the Institutions at Gambier.

As the Academic year will not close till August, an exhibit of the receipts and expenditures of the current year cannot now be made. It may be proper, however, to state that the expenditures for the year will come within the current income of the Institution.

The present condition of the vested and other funds of the Institution is set forth in the following general statement :

GENERAL STATEMENT OF VESTED AND OTHER FUNDS OF THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, 1855.

1. Scholarship Subscription Fund—

Medical College Bonds,	-	-	-	\$4,484	00	
Sub. Notes, (see Sched. D.,)	-	-	-	5,493	00	
Knox County Bonds,	-	-	-	1,387	50	
Bills receivable, (see Sched. B.,)	-	-	-	400	00	
Int. due April 1st on above,	-	-	-	719	12	
Cash to balance,	-	-	-	17	88	
					12,501	50

2. Land Notes, (see Sched. A.,)

Int. due April 1st,	"	-	-	27,151	68
				1,497	82

				28,649	50
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3. Loans—

Bills Receivable, (see Sched. B.,)	-	-	-	14,219	01
Int. due April 1st,	"	-	-	530	03

				14,749	04
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4. Griswold Professorship Fund—

Bills Receivable,	-	-	-	10,000	00
Int. due April 1st,	-	-	-	390	00

				10,390	00
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5. Railroad Subscription,

-	-	-	-	2,798	00
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6. Miscellaneous—

Bills Receivable, (see Sched. C.,)	-	-	-	747	41
Int. do. due April 1st,	"	-	-	153	54

Ledger balances, (see Sched. E.,)	-	-	-	2,204	30	
					8,105	25

7. Milnor Professorship Fund—

Investment in N. Y.,	-	-	-	10,000	00
Mrs. Davis' Legacy,	-	-	-	516	00

				10,516	00
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8. Betts' Library Fund,

-	-	-	-	1,000	00
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9. Cash on hand, balance April 1st, 1855,

\$83,735 38

—Less—				
Lorillard Fund,	-	-	-	5,761 32
Bills payable,	-	-	\$110 00	
Ledger balances, (Sched. F.,)	-	344 66	454 66	
Scholarship Scrip, (old,)	-	-	362 16	
Interest due,	-	-	52 59	6,630 73
				\$77,104 65

The following is the estimate of the probable expenses and income of the Institution for the next Academic year, 1855-6:

STATEMENT AND ESTIMATE OF ANNUAL EXPENSES AND INCOME, 1855-6.

EXPENSES.

Kenyon College—

L. Andrews, President,	-	-	-	\$1,500 00
J. Trimble, Prof. Languages,	-	-	900 00	
H. L. Smith, Prof. Chemistry,	-	-	1,000 00	
J. Stevenson, Prof. Mathematics,	-	-	1,000 00	
H. D. Lathrop, Gr. School and Tutor,	-	-	600 00	
Assistants and Bursar,	-	-	300 00	
Janitor,	-	-	200 00	5,500 00

Theological Seminary—

T. M. Smith, Prof. Divinity,	-	-	900 00	
M. T. C. Wing, Prof. Eccl. History,	-	-	400 00	
J. Trimble, Prof. Hebrew,	-	-	100 00	
—, Pastoral Divinity,	-	-	500 00	1,900 00

General—

M. T. C. Wing, Agent and Treasurer,	-	200 00		
Taxes and Insurance,	-	575 00		
Ordinary repairs,	-	500 00		
Interest,	-	475 00	1,750 00	

Add extra repairs, say,	-	-	450 00	
				\$9,600 00

INCOME.

Interest—

Scholarship Fund,	-	-	-	\$901 98
Griswold Professorship,	-	-	640 00	
Land Notes,	-	-	1,903 76	
Loans,	-	-	1,507 91	
Milnor Professorship,	-	-	751 60	
Miscellaneous,	-	-	44 82	5,750 07

Rents—

Farms,	-	-	-	468 75
Water Power,	-	-	170 00	
Buildings and Lots,	-	-	261 00	899 75

Tuition and Room Rent—

55 Students,	\$10,	-	-	-	-	550 00	
15 "	40,	-	-	-	-	600 00	
60 "	80,	-	-	-	-	1,800 00	2,950 00
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130 "							\$9,599 82
Appropriation of Lorillard Fund interest, say,						-	150 00
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The following table exhibits the number of students in the several departments of the Institution, and the increase in each from last year:

					1854-55.	Increase.
Theological Students,	-	-	-	-	10	1
College	{ Seniors,	-	-	-	7	2
		-	-	-	13	6
		-	-	-	18	4
		-	-	-	25	10
Grammar School Students,	-	-	-	-	85	46
Total increase,	-	-	-	-	-	69
Preparing for the ministry,	-	-	-	-	36	17

For further particulars as to the names and number of the officers of the Institution, the course of study, etc., the members of the Convention are referred to the printed catalogue for the current year, which is made a substantive part of this report.

The Board of Trustees would earnestly call the attention of the members of this Convention and the friends of the Institutions at Gambier, to the fact that the time has now come when the interests of these Institutions demand an enlargement of their facilities for instruction. That they may continue to increase with the healthy and unexpected growth of the past year, it will be absolutely necessary to add to the number of the Professors and Instructors in the various departments, to the Apparatus necessary for illustration in Natural Science, and to the buildings for the accommodation of the increasing number of students.

In order that these Institutions may be able successfully to compete with the best Seminaries and Colleges in the country, and to satisfy the just expectations of those who patronize them, there should be an addition of at least two Professors to the College Faculty. The lower classes in College, by the growth of the Institution, have so increased in numbers as to impose the necessity of a division into sections, in order to their thorough instruction; and hence the necessity of an increase in the number of Instructors.

Again, the College is not sufficiently supplied with apparatus for illustrations in Chemistry, Mineralogy, Geology, Botany, Natural Philosophy, Physiology and Astronomy.

The present capacity of the Institution for the accommodation of students in the College and Grammar School, is as follows: In the College building, 100 students, and in Milnor Hall, 45 students. The present indications are that the next Freshman Class will number not less than 40 members; and if so, the College classes will occupy nearly all the rooms in the College building. Milnor Hall can accommodate with rooms only about 45 students, and as there are now more than 70 students in regular attendance in the Grammar School, it will at once be seen that the growth of the Institution must be checked unless additional buildings are provided.

The present condition, prospects and wants of the Diocesan Institutions at Gambier, are thus briefly presented to the members of this Convention, with the hope and prayer, that such an influence may be exerted by the clergy and laity of the Church, that, founded and fostered as they have been, by the benefactions of the benevolent of this and other lands, they may, now in the day of their prosperity, be liberally sustained in their course of usefulness, and thus be made effective agencies in promoting the great cause of Christian education, not only to the present, but to future generations.

President Andrews having followed the reading of the report by some remarks on the importance of still greater exertions being made to increase the efficiency and usefulness of these Institutions, in consequence of the increased number of students, calling for larger accommodations, Mr. H. M. Mitchell moved the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the President of Kenyon College be requested by this Convention to furnish a copy of the substance of his remarks, just submitted, for publication, and that 2000 copies of the same, with the report of the Board of Trustees previously read, be ordered to be printed for distribution.

President Andrews professed his inability to furnish the remarks, as they were most literally *ex tempore*.

Rev. Mr. McElroy called for the order of the day, which was the report of the committee on Female Education.

Whereupon, Mr. J. W. Andrews offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed by this Convention, of which the Rt. Rev., the Bishop of the Diocese shall be chairman, and that said committee shall be authorized to receive donations for the purpose of aiding in the education of females within this Diocese, and to expend the same as they shall deem proper to carry out the object of the donors, and that they shall make report of their doings herein from time to time to the Convention.

Rev. Dr. Burr, from the standing committee on Missions, offered the following report, which was adopted:

The committee on Missions have had the subjects entrusted to them under consideration, and beg leave to report as follows:

In the estimation of your committee, there is no question that can come before this Convention of equal importance with this; inasmuch as it directly concerns the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom in this our own immediate field of labor. God forbid that our hearts should not be enlarged to take in the whole world, as a field not too wide for the regards of those whose souls are imbued with the love of Christ. But to us, the members of this Convention, is specially committed the duty of caring for and cultivating that portion of our Lord's great field which is comprised within the bounds of this Diocese. And here, indeed, there is work enough for all our zeal and energies. Large portions of this, our home field, still lie waste, except as they are cultivated by the labors of others not of our own branch of the household of faith. In very many places our children are importuning for our aid—crying to us for the bread of life, and longing, with "hope long deferred" for the ordinances of the Church which, in former days and other homes they learned to love. Ought we not to listen to their importunity? Must we not heed their cry? Should we not open our hearts and hands to their appeal? If, (as a Convention of this Diocese some twenty years ago solemnly resolved), "*the Church is essentially a missionary institution*," then certainly we are bound, not only in love, but in consistency, to put forth much larger efforts than any that have yet been witnessed in this Diocese; otherwise our high sounding resolve will prove but an empty and cold abstraction. For, can the most self-satisfied among us, remembering the high hopes and bright anticipations with which this Diocese, twenty years ago, entered afresh upon her missionary work, and now looking at the results, be otherwise than disappointed, and painfully cast down, on reflecting that so little of what was anticipated has been realized?

But perhaps it is better to be hopeful than desponding. And, blessed be God, there are some indications in the present aspect of our missionary and educational work to inspire hope. The report of the Missionary and Education committee gives promise of better things to come. The success which the indefatigable Agent of the committee has met with in prosecuting his work of seeking out young men desirous of the sacred ministry, and soliciting means to aid them in their prepara-

tion, is truly cheering, and affords encouragement to persevere in the measures thus happily entered upon. It is the more important that special and earnest attention be given to this department of our missionary labor, inasmuch as it is more than probable that the large drafts which for several years past have been made upon the clerical force of this Diocese, will continue for a long time to come; and unless strenuous exertions are made to supply the deficiencies thus accruing, all our other labors will be of little worth. Means without men will effect nothing. How can they hear without a preacher?

But in seeking supplies for the sacred ministry, your committee would venture the caution, that the utmost possible care and discrimination should be exercised. We can not guard too carefully "the entering in of the gates." In the inducements which we are now in a condition to hold out to young men to enter upon a course of education with a view to the ministry, there may lurk a strong and insidious temptation to overlook the want of those high spiritual qualifications which should be regarded as essential even at the outset of the course. And inasmuch as the best human judgments are liable to error, let us pray the Lord of the harvest, that He, the searcher and sanctifier of hearts, would himself prepare and send forth laborers into his harvest.

In respect to the missionary branch of our work, it is confidently hoped that there will be a supply of means for a material enlargement of operations. There may be danger just now lest the claims of this department be overlooked in the increased attention which is given to the educational. If ever a great and prayerful effort were needed for operations purely missionary in this Diocese, that time is the present. On this point, however, the committee will not enlarge, but would respectfully direct the attention of the Convention and of the Diocese, to that part of the Bishop's address in which the subject is presented.

Your committee are of the opinion that in the present state of the church in this Diocese, and regarding the wide field of destitution to be supplied, the itinerating system, so far as it can be introduced and blended with the parochial, would be likely to prove effective. There seems at present no other way in which the very many destitute places from which there are calls for the services of our church, can be supplied. The committee would therefore recommend the subject to the attention of the Missionary and Education committee. -

All which is respectfully submitted.

ERASTUS BURR, C. M. BUTLER, L. L. HOLDEN. D. K. CADY, JOHN KENDRICK,	Standing Committee on Missions.
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Rev. Mr. McElroy, from the Finance Committee, presented the following report:

The Finance Committee would report that they have carefully examined the Treasurer's report below, for the year ending at the date of the last Convention, and find the same to be correct, leaving in his

hands to the credit of the Contingent Fund only 26 cents. It was therefore not in the Treasurer's ability, as Treasurer, to meet the order of the last Convention for fifty dollars in favor of the Rev. Mr. French; but your committee have the pleasure of reporting that the Rev. Mr. French has been paid his salary of fifty dollars for the year ending the date of last Convention, and that the arrears of the Contingent Fund will be sufficient to pay Mr. French his salary for the year ending the date of the present Convention. Your committee cannot close this partial report without bearing testimony to the fidelity and accuracy of Dr. Wood, the Treasurer of the Convention. His report for last year, as corrected by him, is appended to this report.

JAMES McELROY,
JAMES HALL,
KENT JARVIS. } Committee.

As there were several errors in the Treasurer's Report of last year, he begs leave to present the following, as corrected by him, to the committee on Finance for the present year. The payments are too often delayed until the last hour, and hence the mistakes, from the hurry in making up the accounts:

Wm. Wood, Treasurer of Episcopate Fund,

To the Diocese of Ohio.

Dr.

CONTRA.

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By amount paid the Bishop for his salary..... \$2000 00
 " " balance due him last year..... 427 59
 " " interest on same..... 25 65
 Balance..... 38 41 \$2491 65

Wm. Wood, Treasurer of Contingent Fund,

To the Diocese of Ohio.

DR.

For amount received from the various Parishes during year.... \$330 00
" balance last year 190 82 \$520 82

CONTRA

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By interest on balance due Bishop at last settlement.....	\$25 65
By his bill for sundry expenses, as follows:	
For traveling expenses to and from General Convention	\$28 14
" " on Diocesan duties	48 10
" " postage, telegraph and stationery	22 89 99 13
By cash discount on bills and uncurrent money.....	4 50
" paid expenses to and from Convention	10 00
" postages, &c.....	5 97
" counterfeit money	4 00
" Rev. J. T. Brooke.....	25 00
" " W. R. Nicholson.....	25 00
" " E. Burr.....	10 00
" " S. A. Bronson.....	10 00
I. Thomas for printing	203 59
Herman Cope, assessment General Convention..	72 00
exchange on Eastern bill for above	72
paid expenses of Rev. Mr. Blake to a trial at Pomeroy.....	25 00
Balance.....	26 396 04
	_____ \$320 82

WM. WOOD,
Treasurer Diocese of Ohio.

Mr. J. W. Andrews offered the following resolutions as a substitute for those presented by Judge Hall, [see pp. 45-6,] and they were adopted:

1. *Resolved*, That this Convention has heard with pleasure from the President of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, at Gambier, that it is the intention of the Trustees hereafter to present to the Convention annual reports in detail, showing the condition of the Institutions at Gambier.

2. *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this Convention, the endowment of Kenyon College and the Theological Seminary should be kept entire, and that no part thereof should hereafter be used for current expenses, or for any occasional purpose; but that said institutions should rely exclusively upon their income for support.

3. *Resolved*, That this Convention would respectfully suggest to the Trustees, that, in making their reports to the Convention, it will be satisfactory to the Convention that the Trustees shall give a detailed report of the condition of the College and Theological Seminary, for the past year, embracing all the facts necessary to a full and true understanding of the history, discipline, police, courses of study, and actual condition of said College and Seminary, the number of students, with the increase or decrease from year to year, and also especially a detailed statement of all moneys received and expended in any and every department, and for any and every purpose, with dates and accurate amounts of each item of such receipts and expenditures; and that to this end the Board of Trustees should require *annual reports in writing*, to be made to them by the President of the College, the Treasurer, and all officers and agents having charge of separate departments of duty, in their employ, which reports, when they relate to the receipt or expenditure of money, should be accompanied by exhibits, receipts, and vouchers, verifying the same.

On motion, the Convention took a recess for Divine service, till 2 o'clock, p. m.

Two o'clock, p. m.

The Convention reassembled. The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

Rev. Mr. Cumming, from the nominating committee on that subject, reported the following persons for a

Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, for the ensuing year:

FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE DIOCESAN SEMINARY AND COLLEGE.

Rev. E. Burr, D.D.,	Lorin Andrews,
Rev. S. A. Bronson, D.D.,	E. T. Sterling,
Rev. J. McElroy,	John W. Andrews,
Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D.,	Rollin C. Hurd,
Rev. W. R. Nicholson,	Kent Jarvis,
Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D.,	Wm. Key Bond.

Balloting was dispensed with, and the said persons were unanimously elected.

Rev. Mr. Cumming offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved, That, while the expression of the good opinion which this Convention entertains with regard to the present condition of the Institutions at Gambier, is all very well, yet we are required, if we will do our whole duty, to go farther than words ; therefore,

Resolved, That we, the clergy and laity representing the Church in the Diocese of Ohio, pledge our best efforts under God, and our most hearty coöperation, to increase the endowment for the support, and facilities for the further and future wants of the Institutions at Gambier.

The Bishop appointed as the committee named in the resolution of Mr. J. W. Andrews, on the subject of Female Education, passed this morning : Rev. J. McElroy, Rev. C. Reynolds, and Messrs. J. W. Andrews and S. N. Sanford. See pp. 56-7.

Rev. Mr. Schenck called up the resolutions offered by himself this morning, on the subject of the Memorial, and which were made the order of the day for this hour, when, after discussion, they were unanimously adopted.

Rev. Mr. McElroy, from the Finance committee, presented and read the report of the Treasurer of the Diocese, which was accepted, as follows :

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT WITH THE PARISHES.

NAME OF PARISH.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		CONTINGENT FUND.	
	Amount paid.	Arrears.	Amount paid.	Arrears.
Akron, St. Paul's.....		\$15 00		\$5 00
Ashtabula, St. Peter's	\$20 00		\$5 00	
Bellevue, St. Paul's.....	10 00		2 00	
Berkshire, Grace.....	8 00		2 00	
Boardman, St. James'....	8 00		2 00	
Canfield, St. Stephen's...	6 00		2 00	
Centreville, St. David's ..	6 00		1 00	
Chillicothe, St. Paul's ...	75 00			12 00
Cincinnati, Christ.....	250 00		50 00	
Cincinnati, St. John's....	175 00		10 00	
Cincinnati, St. Paul's....	190 00		30 00	
Cincinnati, Trinity.....		10 00		2 00
Circleville, St. Philip's...	35 00		8 00	
Cleveland, Grace.....		50 00		5 00
Cleveland, St. John's....	35 00		6 00	
Cleveland, St. Paul's....	100 00		10 00	
Cleveland, Trinity.....	110 00		12 00	
Columbia, St. Luke's....		4 00		1 00
Columbus, St. Paul's....	20 00		5 00	
Columbus, Trinity.....	70 00		15 00	
Cross Creek, St. James'..		10 00		5 00
Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's	25 00		5 00	
Dayton, Christ.....	70 00		8 00	
Delaware, St. Peter's....	50 00		10 00	
Dresden, Zion.....	10 00		2 00	
E. Liverpool, St. Stephen's		1 00		1 00
E. Plymouth, St. Matthew's		5 00		2 00
E. Springfield, St. John's.		10 00		2 00
Elyria, St. Andrew's.....	10 00		2 00	
Euclid, St. Paul's.....	6 00		1 00	
Franklin, Christ	3 00	2 00		1 00
Fremont, St. Paul's	5 00		1 00	
Gambier, Harcourt.....	53 50	6 50	10 00	
Grafton, St. Stephen's ...	3 00		1 00	
Granville, St. Luke's....	15 00		4 00	
Greenville, St. Paul's....	2 00		2 00	
Hamilton, St. Matthew's..		1 00		1 00
Hartsgrove, St. Paul's...		1 00		1 00
Hillsboro, St. Mary's ...	10 00		3 00	
Hudson, Christ.....	20 00		5 00	
Huron, Christ.....	4 00		2 00	
Ironton, Christ	3 00		2 00	
Jefferson, Trinity	5 00			1 00
Kingston, St. James'	4 00		1 00	

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT WITH THE PARISHES—CONTINUED.

NAME OF PARISH.	EPISCOPATE FUND.		CONTINGENT FUND.	
	Amount paid.	Arrears.	Amount paid.	Arrears.
Lancaster, St. John's....	\$10 00		\$1 00	
Lyme, Trinity.....	8 00		2 00	
Madison, St. Matthew's....	8 00		2 00	
Mansfield, Grace.....		15 00		4 00
Marietta, St. Luke's....	15 00		5 00	
Marion, St. Paul's	6 00		2 00	
Massillon, St. Timothy's..	50 00		10 00	
Maumee City, St. Paul's .	8 00		2 00	
Medina, St. Paul's		35 00		5 00
Milan, St. Luke's.....	6 00		2 00	
Mill Creek, St. Mark's....		5 00		2 00
Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's....	45 00	35 00	10 00	
Mt. Vernon, Christ.....	8 00		2 00	
Newark, Trinity	20 00	5 00	5 00	
Newton Falls, St. Mark's.		5 00		3 00
Norwalk, St. Paul's	35 00		8 00	
Painesville, St. James'....	15 00		5 00	
Penfield, Christ.....		2 00		1 00
Peninsula, Bethel.....		3 00		1 00
Perry, St. Matthew's....	4 00		2 00	
Piqua, St. James'.....	60 00		10 00	
Pomeroy, Grace		10 00		2 00
Portsmouth, All Saints'..	80 00		10 00	
Rome, St. Peter's.....	1 00		1 00	
Sandusky, Grace.....	70 00		10 00	
Springfield, Christ.....	10 00		2 00	
St. Clairsville, St. Thomas'		2 00		1 00
Steubenville, St. Paul's..	40 00	20 00	10 00	
Strongsville, St. Philip's..	2 00		1 00	
Toledo, Trinity.....		55 00		8 00
Troy, Trinity.....	10 00		1 00	
Unionville, St. Michael's.	1 00		1 00	
Urbana, Epiphany.....	8 00		2 00	
Wakeman, St. John's....		2 00		1 00
Warren, Christ.....		25 00		5 00
Wooster, St. James'....	8 00		2 00	
Worthington, St. John's..	10 00		2 00	
Xenia, Christ	*4 00		2 00	
Yellow Springs, Christ...	3 00		2 00	
Zanesville, St. James' ...	100 00		12 00	
	\$2066 50	\$384 50	\$347 00	\$59 00

* Over paid, \$1.

*Wm. Wood, Treasurer of Diocese of Ohio,
To Episcopate Fund,* Dr.

For cash received from sundry Parishes during current year.....	\$2066 50
" balance on hand last year	88 41 \$2104 91

Per Contra. Cr.

By amount paid Bishop for his salary.....	\$2000 00
" balance on hand.....	104 91 \$2104 91

*Wm. Wood, Treasurer of Diocese of Ohio,
To Contingent Fund,* Dr.

To amount received from the various Parishes during current year	\$347 00
" balance on hand from last year .. .	26 \$347 26

Per Contra. Cr.

By cash paid to Bishop for sundry expenses, viz.:

For traveling expenses in Diocese	\$28 98
" postages.....	11 50
" stationery	5 00 \$45 48

By amount paid Rev. E. Burr on account	10 00
" " Rev. S. A. Bronson, "	10 00
" " Rev. W. C. French, ex-	
penses as Secretary..	10 00
" " expenses to and from	
Convention.....	12 50
" " postages.....	8 27
" " Ohio State Journal Co.	
for printing.....	256 01 301 78
	<u> \$347 26</u>

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ZANESVILLE, June 9th, 1855.

WM. WOOD,
Treasurer Diocese of Ohio.

The same gentleman also read the following final report of the Finance committee, which was accepted :

The Finance committee have discharged the duties assigned them, and respectfully submit the following report :

They have carefully examined the Treasurer's report, and find it correct and furnished with all the necessary vouchers. They are happy to say that there will be a small surplus, this year, from the assessment for the Episcopate Fund, and your committee recommend the passage of the resolution offered at the last Convention, by Rev. Mr. Badger, to pay over any surplus from this assessment to the Trustees of the Episcopate Fund of the Diocese ; and your committee are most anxious and do most ardently hope, that every Parish will be faithful and punctual in paying this and the assessment for the Contingent Fund..

JAMES McELROY, *Chairman.*

The Bishop reported several Parishes as in his judgment essentially defunct. The subject was, after discussion, referred to the standing committee on Missions, who recommended, orally, that an effort be made to resuscitate two of said Parishes, and with reference to the other, introduced the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the subject of dissolving several parishes, as brought to the attention of the Convention by the Bishop, according to Canon IV, report by resolution as follows, namely:

Resolved, That the parish of Immanuel Church, Rosece, be declared dissolved.

E. BURR, *Chairman.*

Which was adopted, and the Convention proceeded, in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, to dissolve the connection of said Parish with this Convention. .

Rev. Mr. McElroy offered the following resolutions, which were adopted :

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Diocese pay over the surplus arising from the assessment for the support of the Episcopate, to the Trustees of the Episcopate Fund, to be invested by them as a permanent fund for the support of the Episcopate of the Diocese.

Resolved, That the Secretary be requested to write to every parish in arrears, and urge them to pay their assessments as soon as may be.

The Convention, on motion, proceeded to the election of a Treasurer of the Diocese for the ensuing year. The Chair appointed Rev. Mr. Holden and Mr. Kent Jarvis, tellers, who announced as the result of the election, that Dr. Wm. Wood, the former Treasurer, was re-elected.

The Convention instructed the Secretary to print 1000 copies of the Journal of this Convention for the use of the Diocese, and 300 copies of the Pastoral Letter.

On motion by Rev. Mr. Fairchild, the Convention proceeded to the election of the Missionary and Education Committee for the ensuing year. Balloting was dispensed with, and the following persons being nominated were unanimously reelected:

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Rev. A. Blake,	Lorin Andrews,
Rev. N. Badger,	Ebenezer Alling,
Rev. H. Blackaller,	Mardenbro White,
Rev. T. M. Smith, D. D.,	Hamilton L. Smith.

On motion by the Secretary, the thanks of this Convention were tendered to the congregation of St. James', and other citizens of Zanesville, for their kindness and hospitality to its members at the present session.

Rev. Dr. Claxton offered the following resolution, introduced at last Convention, which was adopted:

Resolved, That at an early stage of the business of each Convention, five Clergymen and five Laymen shall be appointed, who shall constitute the committee on the state of the Church; that to this Committee shall be referred the Parochial Reports, the minutes of the Standing Committee, the Report of the Diocesan Missionary and Education Committee, and the address of the Bishop, or so much thereof as shall

not be specially referred; and that the Report of this Committee shall be the order of the day, at 9 a. m., on the third day of the session of the Convention.

On motion by Rev. Mr. Corlett,

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention are hereby tendered to the editors of the Zanesville Courier, for their full and accurate reports of the doings of this Convention, and for the copies of that paper so generously furnished for the use of members.

Rev. Dr. Burr, on behalf of the committee on that subject, made an oral report respecting the proposed Mural Tablet to be placed in Rosse Chapel, Gambier, to the memory of Bishop Chase. The committee was continued, Rev. Mr. McElroy being appointed in place of Rev. Mr. Britton, removed from the Diocese.

There being no further business before the Convention, on motion, the minutes of this day's session were read, and approved; the last part of the IIId Rule of Order being dispensed with.

The Convention then united in chanting the *Gloria in Excelsis*, and after prayers and the Apostolic benediction by the Bishop, adjourned *sine die*.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE,
President of the Convention.

Attest:

WILLIAM C. FRENCH,
Secretary.

LIST OF CLERGY AND LAY DELEGATES

WHO COMPOSED THIS CONVENTION.

CLERGY.

The Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE, D.D., D.C.L.,

The Rev. NORMAN BADGER,	The Rev. RICHARD GRAY,
" " HENRY BLACKALLER,	" " HENRY T. HIBSTRE,
" " ALFRED BLAKE, B.D.,	" " LEVI L. HOLDEN,
" " JOHN BOYD,	" " SAMUEL MARKS,
" " SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, D.D.,	" " JAMES McELROY,
" " JOHN L. BRYAN,	" " ALBERT T. McMURPHY,
" " ERASTUS BURE, D.D.,	" " RODOLPHUS K. NASH,
" " LEWIS BURTON,	" " RODNEY S. NASH,
" " CLEMENT M. BUTLER, D.D.,	" " PETER NEFF, JR.,
" " R. BETHELL CLAXTON, D.D.,	" " ALANSON PHELPS,
" " THOMAS CORLETT,	" " DANIEL RISNER,
" " EDWARD H. CUMMING,	" " CHANDLER ROBBINS,
" " COLUMBUS S. DOOLITTELL,	" " JOSEPH E. RYAN,
" " GEO. WASHINGTON DUBoIS,	" " NOAH HUNT SCHENCK,
" " THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD,	" " THOMAS M. SMITH, D.D.,
" " CHAUNCEY W. FITCH,	" " E. A. STRONG,
" " LYMAN N. FREEMAN,	" " GEORGE B. STURGES,
" " WILLIAM C. FRENCH,	" " GEORGE WATSON, D.D.
" " FRANCIS GRANGER,	

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Clergymen present as Honorary Members under the XVIth Rule of Order :
Of the Diocese of Ohio :

The Rev. EZRA B. KELLOGG,
" " JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D.,
" " CHARLES REYNOLDS.

Of the Diocese of Virginia :

The Rev. C. W. ANDREWS, D.D.,
" " W. J. CLAXTON,
" " E. T. PERKINS.

Of the Diocese of New-York :

The Rev. H. T. ROBERTS.

Candidate for Orders present :

Mr. CHARLES W. FEARNS.

LAY DELEGATES.

Chillicothe, St. Paul's—Jas. S. Swearingen, E. P. Kendrick, W. H. Safford.
 Cincinnati, Christ—Jas. Hall, W. K. Bond.

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- Cincinnati, St. John's—Wm. Wood, Donald Macleod.
Cincinnati, St. Paul's—David K. Cady.
Circleville, St. Philip's—T. C. Jones.
Columbus, St. Paul's—Wm. B. Thrall.
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PAROCHIAL AND CLERICAL REPORTS, FOR EIGHT MONTHS, ENDING JUNE 7, 1855.*

St. Paul's Church, Akron.

[No report.]

St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

Baptisms—infant, 9; adult, 8; confirmations, 14; communicants—last reported, 161; increased—by admission, 14; by transfer, 10; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 2; present number, 182; burials, 3.

Net amount of communion alms, \$176.64.

Parish School—average number of children, 45; of teachers, 3; catechised by minister, twice a week, and “openly in the church” (i. e. before the congregation) once every month.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$20.00; Contingent fund, \$5.00; Missions—foreign, \$5.00; domestic, \$8.00; diocesan, \$2.50; Parish school, \$32.69, for tuition, &c., of poor children; Parish poor, \$18.00; Widows' and Orphans' society, \$2.50; Nashotah Theological School, \$28.50—Total, \$122.19.

We have this year no Sunday School organization. The reasons are, the rector has already abundant labor on Sunday—and the parish school, as reported above, has superseded the necessity of one.

H. WHEELER, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Bellevue.

Communicants—last reported, 17; present number, 18; burials, 1.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$2—
Total, \$12. JOHN GRIMES, *Senior Warden.*

Grace Church, Berkshire.

Baptisms—infant, 6; communicants—last reported, 27; increased—by admission, 5; by transfer, 2; diminished—by removal, 3; present number, 31; marriages, 1; burials, 3.

Net amount of communion alms, \$8.20.

Sunday School—average number of children, 33; of teachers, 7; catechised by minister, several times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$8; Contingent fund, \$2;

* By resolution of the Convention of 1854, the Clergy were requested to report at the present Convention, the amount of their salaries, and the amount, if any, of arrears. As the resolution has not been complied with in the case of about 50 parishes, and as many of the remainder are so reported as to give no adequate view of the subject, the Secretary has taken the liberty of omitting this item altogether.

Parish Sunday School, \$5.50; Parish poor, \$2; Church repairs—\$16—Total, \$33.50.

Through the influence and personal exertions of J. W. Seymour, Esq., a devoted member of the Church, residing in Hartford, over \$400 have been contributed by his friends, in New York, for the purpose of purchasing a parsonage. The balance, about \$300, will, I am confident, be raised in the parish.

The prospects in Hartford are still very encouraging. There is, as yet, no church organization, but the day is not far distant when there will be. Since Easter I have held services there regularly once in four weeks. We worship in the Methodist Church, which is both large and convenient. This is generally full. We have several here who are ready and desirous to be confirmed as soon as possible. God grant that the seed sown may in due time bring forth fruit abundantly to the honor and praise of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

J. E. RYAN, *Rector.*

St. James' Church, Boardman.

Baptisms—infant, 8; communicants—last reported, 36; increased—by admission, 2; by transfer, 1; diminished—by removal, 5; present number, 34; burials, 1.

Children catechised by minister, 3 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$8; Contingent fund, \$2; Missions—foreign, \$4.75; diocesan, \$5.20; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$5.—Total, \$24.95. C. S. DOOLITTELL, *Rector.*

St. Stephen's Church, Canfield.

Communicants—last reported, 26; increased—by transfer, 1; diminished—by death, 2; by removal, 3; present number, 22; burials, 2.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$6; Contingent fund, \$2; Missions—foreign, \$5.25; diocesan, \$2; Contingent expenses, \$6.12; Music books for the choir, \$5.56.—Total, \$26.93.

C. S. DOOLITTELL, *Rector.*

St. David's Church, Centreville.

Baptisms—infant, 3; communicants—last reported, 42; increased—by admission, 3; by transfer, 8; diminished—by death, 3; present number, 53; marriages, 3; burials, 4.

Sunday School—average number of children, 50; of teachers, 10; catechised by minister, 12 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$6; Contingent fund, \$1; Bible Society, \$60.—Total, \$67.

This parish still continues, apparently, in about the same condition as when last reported, in some respects more comfortable and encouraging than in previous years, for we have not lost any by emigration since our last report. ABRAHAM EDWARDS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

Baptisms—infant, 2; communicants—last reported, 106; increased—by admission, 7; by transfer, 4; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 4; by discipline, 3; present number, 109; marriages, 6; burials, 4.

Net amount of communion alms, \$40.78; Thanksgiving offering to the poor, \$17.

Sunday School—average number of children, 87; of teachers, 13; catechized by minister, 12 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$75; Missions—foreign, \$9; diocesan, \$94; Parish Sunday School, \$38.58; Parish poor, \$37.70; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$20; Bible Society, \$76; For Church purposes, in general, \$100; Thanksgiving offering to the poor, and communion alms, \$57.78.—Total, exclusive of Rector's salary, \$508.06.

My usual Missionary services have been rendered in St. James' Church, Kingston.

LYMAN N. FREEMAN, Rector.

Christ Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—infant, 36; adult, 7; confirmations, 12; communicants—removed, 19; added on profession, 16; added by transfer, 51; present number, 217; marriages, 18; burials, 20.

Sunday School of Christ Church—scholars, 280; teachers, 25; two Mission Sunday Schools—scholars, 120; teachers, 15; total scholars, 400; total teachers, 40.

Collections and contributions have been made in the following sums, and from the following sources:

Communion alms, \$440.89; collections in the church, \$1620.47; contributions from the congregation, \$3558.50; contributions from the Sunday School, \$409.50; contributions from Ladies' Benevolent Society, \$791; contributions from Dorcas Society, \$190.—Total, \$7,010.36.

The amount thus collected has been distributed to the following objects:

To the Episcopal fund, \$250; to the contingent fund, \$50; to the poor of the city, \$1,680.26; to the Missionary and Education committee of the Diocese and to missionaries and clergymen in city and the Diocese of Ohio, \$3,382.53; to Missions in Illinois, Tennessee and Iowa, \$430; to general societies, including the Bible, Tract, Sunday School and E. K. Societies, \$1,217.57.—Total, \$7,010.36.

The present Rector entered upon his duties on the 15th of October, 1854. The above record of services performed in the parish includes those of the Rev. Mr. Gray. In addition to the contributions above enumerated, it should be stated that new gas fixtures have been furnished for the church by the liberality of a member of the vestry.

C. M. BUTLER, Rector.

City Mission connected with Christ Church, Cincinnati.—Since the last Convention I have been constantly engaged as City Missionary

in Cincinnati. I have distributed to the poor, from the first of September to the thirty-first of May, the sum of one thousand two hundred and eighty-seven dollars and forty-five cents, (\$1,287.45.) Four hundred dollars of this amount were given by the Amateur Festival for the benefit of the poor in the city, and the remainder by benevolent individuals, mostly connected with Christ Church. I have had many opportunities of imparting religious instruction, as well as wiping away the tear of sorrow, of which I have endeavored to avail myself. The baptisms, funerals, and marriages at which I have officiated, are included in the report of Christ Church. Besides attending to my duties on the week day, I have generally preached twice, and frequently three times on the Lord's day.

RICHARD GRAY, *City Missionary.*

St. John's Church, Cincinnati.

Baptisms—infant, 29; adult, 5; confirmations, 20; marriages, 16; funerals, 17; communicants—previously reported, 194; increase—by admission, 20; by transfer, 7; decrease—by death, 1; by removal, 43; present number, 177.

Sunday School—average attendance of children, 300; of teachers, 30; catechised, 9 times.

Amounts contributed—Bishop's salary, \$175; Contingent fund, \$10; Domestic missions—by Sunday School, (Oregon,) \$100; by individuals, (Iowa,) \$5; by one individual, (Texas,) \$50; Foreign missions—by Sunday School, \$396.02; Diocesan missions—by public collection, \$35.34; from individuals to the agent, \$170.50; Missionary work in Cincinnati—by public collection, \$59.15; by one individual, \$50; Diocesan education—by public collection, \$50; from individuals, \$500; Widows' and Orphans' Society—by public collection, \$72.92; Sunday School of the parish—by public collection, \$71.71; the Parish Visitor—by public collection, \$34; Amer. and For. Christian Union—by public collection, \$55.99; Ladies' Benevolent Sewing Society, \$200; Papers and Tracts—by one individual, \$150; Communion offerings, \$247.67—Whole amount of contributions, exclusive of the expenses of the parish, \$2,433.30.

WM. R. NICHOLSON, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

[For 1 year and 8 months from September 17, 1853, to June 7th, 1855.]

Baptisms—infant, 39; adult, 9; confirmations, 42; marriages, 12; burials, 18; communicants—last reported, 200; present number, 168.

Sunday School Children, 168; teachers, 24.

Contributions—Episcopate fund, \$190; Contingent fund, \$30; Communion alms, \$759.21; Missions: Cincinnati City Mission, \$1000; by the ladies of the parish as the beginning of a fund to build a church for City Mission, and still on hand, \$500; Diocesan missions, \$318; Domestic—to Treasurer of General board, \$67; Texas, \$70; Iowa, \$156; proceeds of first Missionary meeting of Sunday School Domestic Mis-

ry Society for Iowa, \$16; to Minnesota, \$40; to Tennessee, \$114; contributions of children since January 1st, to their Missionary Society, \$20; Proceeds of fair held by Sunday School Missionary Society, May 31st, 1855, \$280; Foreign: to China, \$86; N. Y. Bible Society, \$39; Widows' Home, Cincinnati, \$56.25; Library for Mission Sunday School, \$15; Contributions of St. Paul's Sunday School, \$44.08; Collection taken for Sunday School, \$71.50; For parochial purposes, not including Rector's salary, \$1,173—Total contributions from September 17th, '53 to June 7, '55, \$5,045.04.

C. J. ROBERTS, *Secretary.*

Trinity Church, Cincinnati.

[No report.]

St. Philip's Church, Circleville.

Baptisms—infant, 6; communicants—last reported, 62; increase—by admission, 1; by transfer, 4; diminished—by removal, 6; present number, 61; marriages, 3; burials, 6.

Net amount of communion offerings, \$39.05.

Sunday School—children, 60; teachers, 10; catechetical instruction usually every Sunday.

Bishop's salary, \$35; Contingent fund, \$8; Domestic Missions, \$14; Diocesan Missions and Ed'n., \$100, pledged yearly by a communicant; Parish Sunday School, \$12; Alms for the poor, \$9, by a communicant; Christmas gift to the Rector, by the same, \$25; other private contributions for Sunday School and other purposes, \$35; for parsonage, about \$250—Total of offerings, collections, contributions, &c., \$527.05.

The Rector gratefully acknowledges the receipt of many other substantial kindnesses, besides the Christmas gift above mentioned.

The parish has suffered greatly, and is about to suffer still more, by removals.

Services are held at Kingston every fourth Sunday.

R. S. NASH, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Cleveland.

Baptism—infant, 28; adult, 8; confirmations, 27; communicants—last reported, 99; increased—by admission, 20; by transfer, 10; diminished—by death, 2; by removal, 16; present number, 111; marriages, 11; burials, 14.

Net amount of communion alms, about, \$97.

Sunday School—average number of children, 75; catechised by minister, 9 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$40; Contingent fund, \$5; Missions—domestic, \$7.50; diocesan, \$23.14; Parish Sunday School, \$35.51; Parish Poor, \$97—Total, \$200.65.

The extra efforts made, last year, in fitting up the Church, and the

pressure of the times, during the current year, must account for very limited contributions.

LAWSON CARTER, *Rector*,
G. B. PERRY, *Associate Rector*

St. John's Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms—infant, 14; adult, 3; confirmations, 7; communicants last reported, 121; increased—by admission, 6; by transfer, 5; diminished—by removal, 1; by discipline, 1; present number, 1; marriages, 7; burials, 14.

Net amount of communion alms, \$88.67; appropriated as below
Sunday School—number of children, 75; of teachers, 13; exhibited by minister, 6 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$35; Contingent fund, \$1
Missions—foreign, \$15; domestic, \$8; diocesan, \$30; Parish Sunday School, \$34; Parish Poor, \$17.24; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$8; Cleveland Bible Society, \$15—Total, \$178.24.

In the course of the year I preached and administered the Communion in St. John's Church, Clinton, Michigan, and in Christ Church, Warren, Ohio; and also preached in St. Paul's Church, Euclid, and the Cleveland Female Seminary—once in each place.

LEWIS BURTON, *Rector*

St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.

Baptisms—infant, 8; adult, 2; confirmations, 9; communicants last reported, 109; increased—by admission, 10; by transfer, 9; diminished—by death, 2; by removal, 18; present number, 108; marriages, 6; burials, 4.

Sunday School—number of children, 145; of teachers, 20; exhibited by minister, 5 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$100; Contingent fund, \$1
Missions—foreign, \$26; diocesan, \$83.67; Parish Sunday School, \$74.50; Parish and other Poor, \$81.53; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$15.67; Cleveland Bible Society, \$61; Church in Oberlin, (part,) \$40—Total, \$492.37.

This parish, although having suffered somewhat in the last year by removal of communicants, continues to be prosperous. The Sunday School grows in interest and numbers. Its members have made regular contributions, during the year, to the cause of Foreign Missions, but, the time has not arrived for the annual remittance, they do not appear in this report.

R. BETHELL CLAXTON, *Rector*

Trinity Church, Cleveland.

[No report.*]

* The Secretary was telegraphed by Dr. Bolles, that his Report had been sent by mail, up to the time of sending this sheet to press, it had not come to hand. Should it reach the office soon, it will be inserted at the end of the Reports.—SIC.

St. Luke's Church, Columbia.
[No report.]

Trinity Church, Columbus.

Baptisms—infant, 6; communicants—present number, 85; marriages, 2; burials, 3.

Sunday School—number of children, 120; of teachers, 18.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$85; Contingent fund, \$15; Missions—foreign, \$25; diocesan, \$26—Total, \$151.

The undersigned took charge of the parish about one month since, and cannot make a perfect report. There may have been several collections, during the past year, of which he has not been informed. He has heard of no deaths among the communicants, but several of those who were enrolled in this parish last year, are now, as he learns, connected with St. Paul's. Some others are known to have removed from the city, while of a few, the present incumbent can get no tidings.

He finds in the congregation much real piety, and a strong disposition to work for Christ and His Church.

CHARLES REYNOLDS, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Columbus.

Communicants—added, 4; by transfer, 2; removals, 36; last reported, 65; present number, 33; Baptisms—infant, 15.

Sunday School—number of children, 30; of teachers, 6.

Contributions—Bishop's salary, \$20; Contingent fund, \$5; Communion alms, \$31.50; expended for the poor, \$28.88.

Since the 19th of November, 1854, I have officiated in St. Paul's twice every Sunday, with but few exceptions.

A weekly service was also held during the season of Lent, and instructions given to a Bible class.

I found this parish much enfeebled and discouraged by former misfortunes. Many of its former supporters had left, and gone to Trinity Church. The Church itself had been closed for 7 or 8 months, and the Sunday School suspended for more than a year. The latter was resumed only a few weeks since, which will account, in part, for the present small number of scholars. Whether this parish will be permitted to see its former prosperity, will depend much upon the hopefulness and union of its present members, and still more upon the blessing of Him who "giveth the increase."

E. B. KELLOGG, *Officiating.*

St. James' Church, Cross Creek.

Baptisms—infant, 1; burials, 2; communicants—last reported, 53; died, 1; present number, 52.

Communion Alms, net, \$6.65, appropriated as follows:

To pay arrears due Treasurer, 50 cts.; postage on Parish Visitor, (6 months,) 60 cts.; Diocesan Missions, \$5.55—Total, \$6.65.

My last services in this parish were March 4th, when the Lord's Supper was celebrated.

H. HOLLIS, *late Rector.*

St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

Communicants—last reported, 52; diminished—by removal, 1; present number, 51; burials, 3.

Net amount of communion alms, \$29.75.

Sunday School—average number of children, 29—44 scholars on the list; of teachers, 10; preached to children, 6 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$25; Contingent fund, \$5; Missions—foreign, \$14, (of which \$7.78 from Sunday School); diocesan, \$44; Parish Sunday School, \$17; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$10; Parish Visitor and Tracts for distribution, \$7.74; from Ladies' Society, for repairs on Church and building fence at parsonage, \$57; sundries, \$1.81—Total, \$181.55.

L. L. HOLDEN, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Dayton.

Baptisms—infant, 15; confirmations, 3; communicants—last reported, 105; increased—by admission, 4; by transfer, 4; diminished—by removal, 11; present number, 102; marriages, 2; burials, 2.

Net amount of communion alms, \$47.22.

Sunday School—average number of children, 75; of teachers, 12; catechised by minister, 12 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, 70; Contingent fund, \$8; Missions—foreign, \$10; Parish Sunday School, \$20; Parish Poor, \$23—Total \$131.

The Wardens and Vestry of Christ Church, heartily join in the wish of their late Rector appended below, and trust that God will bless us with a faithful Shepherd.

W. MUNGER,
JOHN COHAN, } *Wardens.*

Feeling that the usefulness and happiness of my ministry called for the resignation of this parish, I resigned on the 1st of June, and hope that the parish may be able to procure a Rector better adapted to unite and build them up in the faith and fear of God's holy name.

JAS. B. BRITTON.

St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

Baptisms—infant, 16; adult, 5; confirmations, 8; communicants—last reported, 84; increased—by admission, 11; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 3; by discipline, 1; present number, 90; marriages, 2; burials, 7.

Net amount of communion alms, \$78.

Sunday School—number of children, 120; of teachers, 14.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$50; Contingent fund, \$10; Missions—foreign, \$20; diocesan, \$20; Parish Poor, \$14; Widows'

and Orphans' Society, \$13; American Bible Society, \$10; Western Seamen's Friend Society, \$15.50; Amer. Col. Soc., \$5; Central Association, \$18.05; scholarships in Kenyon College, \$140; Rectory debt and improvements, \$80; Church debt, repairs, &c., \$228—Total, \$623.55.

The Rector has employed the Sunday School to teach the children of his parish the principles of religion and the catechism, and has constantly attended the Sunday School, and frequently engaged in teaching and addressing the children. The growth of the parish is healthful and continual, and we have already attained a position of pressure for more church room. We have now no eligible free seat, nor scarcely any other class of free seat, and when our congregation is in full attendance, scarcely any accommodations to offer to a visitor. Under these circumstances we must enlarge our Church, and we are now beginning to look forward to this improvement. We have, during the last three years, suffered a large loss of communicants by emigration, but God has been pleased to add to our communion, (and principally from our own congregation,) a greater number than we have lost. We feel, upon the whole, greatly encouraged, and our earnest prayer is, that God would give us an increased measure of the graces of humility, prayerfulness, and devotedness, to his glory, and the salvation of souls. The Rector has preached, the past year, several times at Youngstown, Mahoning county, Berkshire, Marion, Columbus and Granville. He takes pleasure in adding that his kind people, by gifts from time to time, and a liberal and generous donation party last fall, have made up, in a good degree, for the limited reach of the Rector's parochial income.

JAMES McELROY, *Rector.*

Zion Church, Dresden.

Baptisms—infant, 1; communicants—last reported, 53; increased—by admission, 3; by transfer, 1; diminished—by removal, 1; present number, 56; marriages, 1.

Net amount of communion alms, \$18.34.

Sunday School—average number of children, 40; of teachers, 10.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$2; Missions—foreign, \$27; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$8; expended for furnace for the Church, \$200; American Tract Society, \$15; in aid of the Church at Oberlin, \$35 paid, and \$5 pledged when called for—Total, \$307.

There has been a systematic course adopted by the parish, for some years, for Diocesan Missions, which has been found to work well. The time for this collection has not arrived for the present year, which will account for there being nothing given, as appears by this report.

The completion of the Parsonage, owing to a variety of circumstances, has been delayed much longer than was anticipated at the time of my last report, but the work is now progressing, and it will, we doubt not, soon be ready for occupancy.

A. T. McMURPHEY, *Rector.*

St. Stephen's Church, East Liverpool.
 [No report.]

St. Matthew's Church, East Plymouth.
 [No report.]

St. John's Church, East Springfield.

Baptisms—infant, 1; confirmations, 1; communicants—last reported, 22; lost by death, 3; present number, 19.

My last services were April 22d, a few days previous to the Bishop's visitation, whom I accompanied. A few excellent families are here whom I would rejoice to see supplied with the ministrations of the Word, in connexion with the adjoining parishes, and scattered families, desiring such ministrations. My health and means both have forbidden me to do the work I would gladly have done in this field.

H. HOLLIS, *late Rector, and Missionary.*

St. Andrew's Church, Elyria.

Baptisms—infant, 5; confirmations, 8; communicants—last reported, 31; increased—by admission, 5; by transfer, 11; diminished—by removal, 2; present number, 45, (11 of these now transferred to Oberlin, leaving 34;) marriages, 4; burials, 2.

Net amount of communion alms, \$15.85.

Sunday School—average number of children, 35; of teachers, 8.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$2; Missions—diocesan, \$5; Parish Sunday School, \$12; Repairs on the Church, &c., \$58; proposed Church at Oberlin, \$25—Total, \$112.

As Superintendent of the Sunday School, the Rector has frequently catechised the youth of his charge on certain portions of the Church Catechism.

Our increase of numbers is due chiefly to the enrolment of the names of communicants of our Church living at a distance from us, and having no connection with any other church. Of these several live in Dover, where we once had a church. Their circumstances have somewhat improved of late, and they are now conducting Lay Reading and a Sunday School of about 20 scholars. I preach to them once on each alternate Sunday.

FRANCIS GRANGER, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Euclid.

Confirmations, 1; communicants—last reported, 14; increased—by admission, 3; present number, 17; marriages, 1.

Net amount of communion alms, \$7.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$6; Contingent fund, \$1; Missions—diocesan, \$1—Total, \$8.

The Rev. T. B. Fairchild officiated in this parish on one Sunday, and administered the Holy Communion. The Rev. L. Burton, of St. John's, Cleveland, also officiated once. The Rev. Dr. Claxton, of St.

Paul's, Cleveland, has visited us and preached for us monthly, and on one occasion administered the Communion. We are satisfied that this church would grow rapidly if we could but secure the services of a pastor.

JOHN DOANE,
HORATIO SLADE, } Wardens.

Christ Church, Franklin.

Communicants—present number, 26.

Communion alms, \$3—as below.

Bishop's salary, \$3.

I have officiated in this parish but twice since my removal. Prospects appear encouraging.

H. HOLLIS, Rector.

St. Paul's Church, Fremont.

Baptisms—infant, 1; adult, 3; confirmations, 5; communicants—last reported, 20; increased—by admission, 5; diminished—by removal, 2; present number, 23; marriages, 2; burials, 4.

Net amount of communion alms, \$19.35.

Sunday School—average number of children, 50; of teachers, 8; catechised by minister, monthly.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$5; Contingent fund, \$1; Missions—foreign, \$5; Church repairs and other purposes, \$100—
Total, \$111.

H. T. HIESTER, Rector.

Harcourt Church, Gambier.

Baptisms—infant, 2; confirmations, 6; communicants—last reported, 75; burials, 3.

Net amount of communion alms, \$120.

Sunday School—average number of children, 75.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$60; Contingent fund, \$10; Missions—foreign, \$170; Parish Sunday School, \$12—Total, \$252.

M. WHITE,
A. G. SCOTT, } Wardens.

St. Stephen's Church, Grafton.

Communicants—last reported, 15; diminished—by death, 1; present number, 14.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$3; Contingent fund, \$1—
Total, \$4.

F. GRANGER, Rector.

St. Luke's Church, Granville.

Communicants—last reported, 67; increased—by transfer, 1; diminished—by death, 1; present number, 67; marriages, 2; burials, 1.

Net amount of communion alms, \$2.

Sunday School—average number of children, 80; of teachers, 6; catechised by minister, 3 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$15; Contingent fund, \$4;

Missions—foreign, \$5; diocesan, \$5; Parish Sunday School, \$12; Parish poor, \$2; Am. Bible Soc. \$5; Am. Tract Soc. \$5—Total, \$58.
THOS. CORLETT, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Greenville.

Communicants, about 14; lost by death, 1.
Paid to the Episcopate, \$2; Diocesan fund, \$2.
Sunday School Scholars, 60; teachers, 7.

This parish has been for some years without a clergyman. There are no wardens, and but one male communicant, living seven miles from the church. I have visited this parish and preached on Monday evenings once a month; but religious services are little appreciated in this town, those of our church being as highly prized as any.

C. W. FITCH.

St. Matthew's Church, Hamilton.

[No report.]

St. Paul's Church, Hartsgrove.

[No report.]

St. Mary's Church, Hillsboro.

Baptisms—infant, 6; adult, 1; communicants—last reported, as corrected, 25; increased—by admission, 16; by transfer, 2; diminished—by removal, 2; present number, 41; burials, 2.

Net amount of communion alms, \$26.47.

Sunday School—average number of children, 80; of teachers, 20; catechised by minister, 4 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$8; Missions—foreign, \$4; domestic, \$7.25; Parish Sunday School, \$10.55; additional subscription to church building, \$600—Total, \$634.80.

The church edifice is now nearly completed, and will probably be ready for consecration by the end of the summer.

NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Hudson.

Baptisms—infant, 2; communicants—last reported, 60; increased—by transfer, 3; diminished—by death, 2; by removal, 4; by discipline, 3; present number, 54; marriages, 5; burials, 11.

Net amount of communion alms, \$25.

Sunday School—average number of children, 35; of teachers, 9; catechised by minister, 10 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$20; Contingent fund, \$5; Parish Sunday School, \$10; Parish poor, \$5. Soon after last Convention an enlargement of the church was undertaken, which exceeded our estimates so much that I have thought best to take up no general collections, for the usual objects, although private contributions have

been made to several, the amount of which I am not able to state. We have paid during the year for enlargement about \$700—and about \$50 for incidental expenses.—Total, \$790.

The increase of our accommodations has been followed by a corresponding increase of attendance, and although we have no additions to report, from the world, yet we consider the prospects of the parish decidedly improved. We mourn the want of the life-giving power of the Spirit, having found the influence of worldly things to be so absorbing that there has been little heed given to the interests of the world to come. But we sow in hope, and trust that the “bread cast upon the waters may be found after many days.”

T. B. FAIRCHILD, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Huron.

Communicants—last reported, 24; increased—by admission, 1; by transfer, 1; present number, 26; marriages, 3; burials, 11.

Net amount of communion alms, \$10.

Sunday School—average number of children, 40; of teachers, 6; I preach once a month to the children.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$4; Contingent fund, \$2; Missions—foreign, \$5; diocesan, \$5; Parish Sunday School, \$5—Total, \$21.

I regret, exceedingly, that my report tells so poorly upon paper. My anxiety for this place and people induces me to undergo all that any could require of me—the place, however, should be occupied, on account of the general good the minister of the church has it in his power to do. Besides the services rendered to Huron, and its vicinity, I have preached two Sundays at Vermillion, *a good opening for our ministry*, and at Milan a number of times. Milan is a desirable parish, and a beautiful village. I mourn over its deprived condition, and most heartily wish they had a pastor, and I a neighbor.

SAM'L MARKS, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Ironton.

Baptisms—infant, 9; present number of communicants, 8; burials, 1.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$3; Contingent fund, \$2; Diocesan Missions and Education, \$10—Total, \$15.

The parish of Christ Church was organized May 15th, 1854, but has not had a minister as yet. We have had six services. We have pledged a sufficient amount, with the generous aid of the Missionary Society, to secure the services of a Pastor, and have called the Rev. Wm. C. French, of Worthington, who has accepted our invitation, and expects to enter upon his duties about the 1st of July. We have sustained a severe loss in the death of our Senior Warden, Mr. James A. Richey, at the very commencement of our enterprise.

GEORGE W. JACKSON, *Junior Warden.*

Trinity Church, Jefferson.

[See Unionville.]

St. James' Church, Kingston.

Communicants—present number, 11.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$4; Contingent fund \$1—
Total, \$5.ELIAS BENTON,
WILSON ROBINSON, } *Wardens.**St. John's Church, Lancaster.*

Communicants—lost by removal, 1; present number, 21.

Sunday School children, 30; teachers, 4; catechized, occasionally.

Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$1; Missions—foreign, \$17;
diocesan, \$20; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, \$5; Furnace for
the Church, \$175; Sundries, \$17—Total, \$245.D. RISSE, *Rector.**Trinity Church, Lyme.*

[No report.]

*St. Matthew's Church, Madison.*Communicants—last reported, 23; present number, 23; burials, 1.
Net amount of communion alms, \$2.24.Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$8; Contingent fund, \$2; Mis-
sions—Foreign, \$1; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$2.—Total, \$13.It will be observed that there has been nothing contributed by this
parish, during this year, for Diocesan Missions; the reason of which is,
that the time of this collection, according to the plan adopted by the
Rector, has not yet arrived; but we hope the amount will not be di-
minished from that of the last year.A. T. McMURPHEY, *Rector.**Grace Church, Mansfield.*

[No report.]

*St. Luke's Church, Marietta.*Baptisms—infant, 4; adult, 3; confirmations, 7; communicants—
last reported, 71; increased—by admission, 8; diminished—by death,
1; by removal, 3; present number, 75; marriages, 5; burials, 5.

Net amount of communion alms, \$17.83.

Sunday School—average number of children, 50; of teachers, 9.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$15; Contingent fund, \$5;
Missions—diocesan, \$179; Parish Sunday School, \$16—Total, \$215.JOHN BOYD, *Rector.**St. Paul's Church, Marion.*

Baptisms—infant, 6; adult, 2; communicants—last reported, 17;

increased—by admission, 5 ; by transfer, 2 ; diminished—by removal, 1 ; present number, 23 ; marriages, 1.

Sunday School—average number of children, 40 ; of teachers, 6 ; catechised by minister, 4 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$4 ; Contingent fund, \$2 ; Parish Sunday School, \$16—Total, \$22.

GEORGE B. STURGES, *Rector.*

St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

Baptisms—infant, 1 ; communicants—last reported, 63 ; increased—by transfer, 2 ; diminished, by removal, 3 ; by discipline, 1 ; present number, 61 ; marriages, 1 ; burials, 4.

Net amount of communion alms, \$35.

Sunday School—average number of children, 100 ; of teachers, 8 ; catechised by minister, monthly.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$50 ; Contingent fund, \$10 ; Missions—diocesan, \$40.

To the above should be added—\$25 for Church repairs, and \$30, collected at meeting of the Central Association, in 1854—Total, \$160.

EDWARD H. CUMMING, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Maumee.

Baptisms—infant, 5 ; adult, 2 ; confirmations, 3 ; communicants—last reported, 25 ; increased—by admission, 5 ; by transfer, 1 ; diminished—by death, 1 ; by removal, 1 ; present number, 29.

Net amount of communion alms, \$7.70.

Sunday School—average number of children, 28 ; of teachers, 5 ; catechised by minister, 4 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$10 ; Parish Sunday School, \$4—Total, \$14.

The present Pastor took charge of this parish in February last, and in addition to his services at this place, he has officiated three several Sundays at Napoleon, the county seat of Henry county, 25 miles by railroad from Maumee city ; and one evening at Defiance, county seat of Defiance county. Both of these are growing towns. We had a good attendance at each place. There are, at Napoleon, six communicants, and others waiting for confirmation. At Defiance, there are two communicants, heads of families, and five ready for confirmation. Defiance is 15 miles beyond Napoleon, i. e., 40 miles beyond Maumee city.

A parish has been organized at Napoleon, by the name of St. John's ; and another at Defiance, by the name of Grace Church ; but, probably, of too recent date to be admitted into the convention this year.

DARIUS BARKER, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Medina.

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; communicants—last reported, 123 ; increased,

by transfer, 4 ; diminished—by removal, 12 ; present number, 111.

Net amount of communion alms, \$18.90.

Sunday School—average number of children, 48 ; of teachers, 10.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$25 ; Missions—foreign, \$6.60.

—Total, \$31.50.

WM. H. CANFIELD, *Warden.*

St. Luke's Church, Milan.

Communicants—last reported, 19 ; present number, 19.

Net amount of communion alms, \$8.60.

Sunday School—average number of children, 45 ; of teachers, 10.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$6 ; Contingent fund, \$2—

Total, \$8.

It has not yet pleased Providence to send us a Pastor. Our hearts are exceedingly anxious for the regular ministrations of the Sanctuary. May the Spirit of all grace incline some one of his servants to come and take the spiritual oversight of us. It gives us pleasure to say, that Rev. Mr. Marks continues to render us as much of his time as his own parish duties will allow. Our motto is, "Faint yet pursuing."

ALEXANDER McCLURE, *Sen. Warden.*

St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek.

[No report.]

St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon.

Baptisms—infant, 4 ; adult, 1 ; communicants—last reported, 130 ; increased—by transfer, 4 ; diminished—by death, 1 ; by removal, 12 ; by discipline, 5 ; present number, 118 ; marriages, 3 ; burials, 4.

Net amount of communion alms, \$21.29.

Sunday School—average number of children, 50 ; of teachers, 6.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$45 ; Contingent fund, \$10 ; Missions—foreign, \$6.72 ; Parish Sunday School, \$3.95 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$7.52—Total, \$73.19.

The Rev. Joseph Muenscher, D. D., resigned the Rectorship of the Parish, to take place on the first of April ; since which time, the services of the Church have been performed by the Rev. J. Rice Taylor, and the Rev. Henry Payne.

E. ALLING, }
D. POTWIN, } *Wardens.*

Christ Church, Mount Vernon.

Communicants—last reported, 21 ; diminished—by removal, 8 ; present number, 18.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$8 ; Contingent fund, \$2—Total, \$10.

For want of a suitable place for public worship, there has been no public service in this Parish during the past year.

GEO. B. WHITE, *Jun. Warden.*

Trinity Church, Newark.

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; communicants—last reported, 48 ; increased—by transfer, 2 ; diminished—by death, 1 ; by removal, 5 ; present number, 44 ; marriages, 3 ; burials, 4.

Net amount of communion alms, \$18.56.

Sunday School—average number of children, 70 ; of teachers, 11 ; catechised by minister, 3 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$20 ; Contingent fund, \$5 ; Missions—foreign, \$3.68 ; Parish Sunday School, \$17 ; Parish poor, \$5—Total, \$50.68.

The present incumbent of Trinity, being compelled by the sad losses from emigration in his former parish, to resign that charge, and being unanimously invited to the Rectorship of this, took charge of the same at Easter. Since then he has been engaged chiefly in making the acquaintance of his parishioners and their localities, and in the endeavor to revive and strengthen their interest in the Church, and in the Sunday School, which had materially declined. Far exceeding his expectations, the Lord hath condescended to make his humble efforts a means, most materially, to renew the face of things in the parish. The congregation has become quite large both mornings and afternoons, and the Sunday School is increased from 3 teachers, and 30 children, to 11 teachers, and 70 children. The statistics of the parish are as I find the record.

Excepting the funds for the Bishop's salary, and the contingent expenses, and the amount now being expended for a considerable addition to the library of the Sunday School, no moneys, that I can learn, have as yet been taken up for Missionary or Educational purposes.

I trust the results of the next conventional year will exhibit a material improvement in the benevolent efforts of the parish.

At present, considerable expenditures will be necessary to repair and remodel the lecture room in the basement of the church, and to remedy several leakages in the roof of the edifice.

I am happy to report a very cordial coöperation of the parishioners in forwarding the objects of the ministry.

HENRY BLACKALLER, *Rector.*

St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

Baptisms—adult, 5 ; confirmations, 11 ; communicants—last reported, 51 ; increased—by admission, 11 ; by transfer, 5 ; diminished—by removal, 3 ; present number, 64 ; marriages, 2 ; burials, 2.

Net amount of communion alms, \$93.52.

Sunday School—average number of children, 44 ; of teachers, 8 ; catechised by minister, 8 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$35 ; Contingent fund, \$8 ; Missions—foreign, \$27 ; diocesan, \$40 ; Parish Sunday School, \$25 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$16.

In addition to the above, upwards of \$200 have been raised in the

parish, during the last 8 months, for incidental parochial expenses—Total \$3.51. The parish, I am thankful to report, is peaceful and prosperous—*Laus Deo.*

GEO. WATSON, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Oberlin.

This parish was organized the 18th of April last. Present number of communicants, 15.

Our prospects for increase are remarkably good. The greatest obstacle to our success seems to be the want of a suitable place of worship. At present, I officiate once each alternate Sunday in a private house. When suitable church accommodations shall have been provided, the interests of this parish will evidently require a much larger amount of labor.

FRANCIS GRANGER, *Rector.*

H. C. SAWFORD, *Sen. Warden.*

ANSON P. DAYTON, *Jun. Warden.*

St. James' Church, Painesville.

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; confirmations, 3 ; communicants—last reported, 62 ; increased—by admission, 3 ; by transfer, 7 ; diminished—by death, 2 ; by removal, 3 ; present number, 67 ; marriages, 2 ; burials, 6.

Net amount of communion alms, \$15, at 6 collections.

Sunday School—average number of children, 35 ; of teachers, 6.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$15 ; Contingent fund, \$5 ; Mission—foreign, \$11.03 ; domestic, \$10.16 ; diocesan, \$15 ; Parish Sunday School, \$16.95 ; Parish Poor, \$13 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$16 ; re-painting and repairing Church, \$400—Total, \$502.14.

Besides his regular duties as Rector of this parish, the undersigned has preached several times in destitute places in the vicinity, and once at Plymouth ; and buried two persons, and baptised one infant.

The spiritual condition of the parish is hoped to have been in some respects advanced, and its numbers considerably augmented since last report. We pray the Great Husbandman to bless, with his divine aid, the labors of his servants, that his name may be glorified

A. PHELPS, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Penfield.

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; communicants—last reported, 11 ; present number, 11 ; burials, 1.

Net amount of communion alms, \$70, appropriated for Rector's salary.

Sunday School—average number of children, 14 ; of teachers, 3 ; catechised by senior warden, 4 times.

FRANCIS GRANGER, *Rector.*

Bethel Church, Peninsula.

Communicants found on record, 6.

Having officiated but a few times in this parish, and having been in very ill health during the time, I have but an imperfect knowledge of its affairs, but infer from what I learn that every thing is to be begun anew.

H. HOLLIS, *Rector.*

St. Matthew's Church, Perry.
[No report.]

St. James' Church, Piqua.

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; adult, 1 ; confirmations, 4 ; marriages, 2 ; burials, 10 (3 only belonging to the parish) ; communicants—added, 5 ; by transfer, 2 ; died, 1 ; present number, 68 ; removed, 2.

Sunday School—children, 50 ; teachers, 12.

Communion alms, \$35.63.

Bishop's salary, \$60 ; Contingent fund, \$10 ; Missions—foreign, \$11 ; diocesan, \$50 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$35 ; Theological Seminary at Gambier, \$5 ; Bible Society, \$34.75 ; Church building, \$2 ; fencing Church lot, \$38.57—Total, 246.32.

Donation visit to the Rector's family, and many personal favors.

The attendance on the services of the Church has been more encouraging than for some years past. The Sunday School suffers for want of teachers who feel the responsibilities of their important office. May the Good Shepherd have pity on the lambs of his flock.

CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, *Rector.*

All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

Baptisms—infant, 7 ; confirmations, 14 ; marriages, 2 ; burials, 9 ; communicants—last reported, 169 ; increased—by admission on profession, 11 ; by transfer, 2 ; diminished—by death, 4 ; by discipline, 1 ; withdrawn, 1 ; removed, 6 ; present number, 170.

Sunday School—children 150 ; teachers, 21.

Contributions—For the Episcopate, \$80 ; Contingent fund, \$10 ; Missions—general, \$30 ; diocesan and education, \$169.70 ; Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$50 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$10 ; American Bible Society, \$65 ; Tracts, \$12 ; for the poor, \$55 ; to aid other Churches, \$30 : Sunday School, \$80 ; communion offerings, \$59.49—Total, \$651.19.

E. BURR, *Rector.*

St. Peter's Church, Rome.

Baptisms—adult, 3 ; confirmations, 2 ; communicants—last reported, 14 ; increased—by transfer, 2 ; diminished—by death, 1 ; by removal, 2 ; present number, 18 ; burials, 1.

Net amount of communion alms, \$15.61, including supplementary contributions.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$1 ; Contingent fund, \$1.

This parish I have visited 12 times with 28 services, 28 sermons, 9 public holy communions. The Rector has repeatedly visited all his

parishioners here, and catechised the children. The prospects of accessions to this parish and Church are much blighted by the introduction of Campbellism into this place; yet, by the grace of God, the Rector intends to persevere in his labors.

JOHN HALL, *Rector.*

Grace Church, Sandusky.

Baptisms—infant, 29; adult, 2; confirmations, 10; communicants—last reported, 105; increased—by admission, 8; by transfer, 8; diminished—by death, 3; by removal, 8; dropped, 5; present number, 105; marriages, 6; burials, 8.

Net amount of communion alms, \$114.

Sunday School—average number of children, 150; of teachers, 15.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$70; Contingent fund, \$10; for Missionary purposes, expended wholly within the parish, \$139—Total, \$219.

A small chapel in the western part of the city has been so far completed, that services are held there every Sunday by Mr. Onions, a candidate for orders. In addition to Mr. Onions, late of England, who will be ready for orders in December next, one youth has commenced his studies for the ministry.

S. A. BRONSON, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Springfield.

Baptisms—infant, 4; confirmations, 4; communicants—last reported, 62; increased—by admission, 11; by transfer, 1; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 5; present number, 68; marriages, 1; burials, 4.

Net amount of communion alms, \$30.37, appropriated to Missions, foreign and diocesan, and included in the amount named below.

Sunday School—average number of children, 45; of teachers, 8.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$2; Missions—foreign, \$25; diocesan, \$26; Parish Sunday School, \$6—Total, \$69.

I closed my relation with this parish on the 1st of October last, shortly after which Rev. N. C. Pridham fulfilled an engagement with the parish of about eight weeks. About the first of January last, being somewhat improved in health, I again undertook to supply the place, but after three months was obliged again, by impaired health, to relinquish the duties. All the official acts above reported, belong to the period during which I was officiating, except two burials—one by Rev. C. F. Lewis, the other by Rev. N. C. Pridham.

On Easter last the Vestry extended a unanimous invitation to Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., which has been accepted, and he is expected to enter upon his duties immediately after Convention. I have also been requested to act as his assistant, and have accepted.

At request of Rev. P. Neff, the undersigned administered the Holy Communion once at Yellow Springs.

CHANDLER ROBBINS, *late Rector,*
now Assistant Rector.

St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

Baptisms—infant, 11; confirmations, 12; communicants—last reported, 155; increased—by admission, 6; by transfer, 8; diminished—by death, 2; by removal, 10; by discipline, 1; present number, 156; marriages, 5; burials, 10.

Net amount of communion alms, \$92.70, chiefly included below.

Sunday School—average number of children, 100; of teachers, 12; catechised by minister, 26 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$30; Contingent fund, \$10; Missions—foreign, \$26; domestic, \$26; diocesan, \$27.25; Parish Sunday School, \$5; Parish poor, \$20.75; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$19.45; Bishop Chase's monument, \$12.50; support of a beneficiary at Gambier, \$100—Total, \$276.95.

It can scarcely be necessary to mention how exceedingly destitute the eastern portion of the diocese is of *missionary aid* from any quarter. In three neighboring counties there are no less than six parish churches without ministerial services; besides several other places where congregations might be collected in their vicinity. "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest."

INT. MORSE, *Rector.*

Trinity Church, Troy.

Baptisms—infant, 1; burials, 1.

Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 8; children catechised, 2 times; lectured, 6 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$1; Parish Sunday School, \$3; Incidental expenses, \$50—Total, \$64.

JAMES TRIMBLE, *Rector.*

St. Michael's Church, Unionville.

Baptisms—infant, 2; adult, 1; confirmations, 5; communicants—last reported, 20; diminished—by death, 1; present number, 20; burials, 1.

Net amount of communion alms, \$30.64½, including supplementary contributions.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$1; Contingent fund, \$1.

I have these 10 times, as voluntary Missionary, visited this Parish and church, i. e. once a month, and two visits more. During these visits I have repeatedly called on all the parishioners and many others; performed 27 public divine services, with as many sermons, and 9 communions in church, and 4 in private to the sick. This parish seems hopefully reviving. My compensation has been my board—an important consideration this season—and the collections at communion and supplementary contributions above reported. I have and desire no stated salary. The children have been catechised at their homes.

TRINITY CHURCH, JEFFERSON—I have visited 10 times. Baptisms, infant, 2; Holy Communions administered, 6; services, 21; sermons,

21 ; communion and supplementary collections applied to ministerial support, \$22.40 $\frac{1}{2}$, with exemption from stage fare, and the supply of the important article of board. No salary—none asked. The number of communicants is 12. The congregation is small, and seems to be in circumstances unfavorable to its increase. The people are kind, polite, and hospitable, and, moreover, are of so Athenian a character as not to be, many of them, very fond of such an old thing as the gospel. Nevertheless a few of them seem decidedly and piously attached to the Christian church and religion. The few children have been catechised at home. .

IN DOVER—While on a visit to my relations I spent 1 Sunday last October, and performed 2 services with 2 sermons and the Holy Communion.

IN ST. MATTHEW'S, EAST PLYMOUTH—I made three visits; spent 3 Sundays in performing 6 divine services, preaching 6 sermons; baptizing 3 children; administering Holy Communion in church, and once to a sick person. Two of these visits were made by exchange with Rev. Mr. Shaw. They have paid me for all my services.

JOHN HALL, *Minister.*

St. James' Church, Wooster.

Baptisms—infant, 6; confirmations, 6; communicants—last reported, 28; increased—by admission, 9; by transfer, 3; diminished—by removal, 2; present number, 38; burials, 3.

Net amount of communion and other collections in church, \$17.30.

Sunday School—average number of children, 25; of teachers, 5.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$8; Contingent fund, \$2; Missions—diocesan, \$5—Total, \$15.

The rector of this parish officiates in Ashland every third Sabbath, where there are 9 communicants of our church, but where, as yet, no organization of a parish has been attempted, though a good congregation is usually in attendance, and considerable interest is manifested in favor of an organization at no distant date. The baptisms reported above were in Ashland. The rector has officiated also twice in Lyme, and once in Bellevue, and once near Jefferson. Three of these were upon funeral occasions—the 3 reported above.

R. K. NASH, *Rector.*

St. John's Church, Worthington.

Baptisms—infant, 3; confirmations, 6; communicants—last reported, 52; increased—by admission, 8; by transfer, 3; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 8; present number, 54; marriages, 2; burials, 2.

Net amount of communion alms, \$30.42.

Sunday School—average number of children, 40; of teachers, 8; catechised by minister, twice.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$2; Missions—foreign, \$9; domestic, (by S. S.) \$4.35; diocesan, \$5;

Parish Sunday School, \$6; Parish poor, \$6: Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$3; Contingent expenses, \$1.25—Total, \$46.55.

In addition to his duties in connection with St. John's parish, the undersigned has sustained occasional services as heretofore, at a rural district five miles distant, (and the same from Columbus,) where are three or four Episcopal families, about 6 communicants, a large congregation, and a very neat church edifice, which might be occupied by Episcopalians half the time, with great prospect of usefulness, if there were any clergyman to minister to them.

I have also, as far as circumstances would admit, ministered to the congregation of Trinity Church, Columbus, during its long vacancy, now so happily terminated. Any official acts during that period will be reported under the appropriate head.

Having accepted a call to the new parish of Christ Church, Ironton, I have resigned the charge of this, the oldest parish in the Diocese, to take charge of the youngest, and, with one or two exceptions, the most isolated—the resignation to take effect the 1st of July.

W. C. FRENCH, *Rector.*

Christ Church, Xenia.

Baptisms—infant, 4; communicants—last reported, 6; increased—by transfer, 5; present number, 11.

Net amount of communion alms, \$1.81.

Sunday School—average number of children, 11; of teachers, 4; catechised by minister, 7 times.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$4; Contingent fund, \$2; Missions—foreign, \$9.58, of which \$4.27 were contributed by the Sunday School children; domestic, \$3; Parish Sunday School, \$26.60; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$5.62; parochial purposes, \$63.66, of which, \$10.40 were collected for S. W. Convocation—Total, exclusive of ministerial salary, \$115.77.

We gratefully acknowledge a donation of 50 prayer books, from the Bishop White Prayer Book Society.

PETER NEFF, JR., *Minister.*

P. O. YELLOW SPRINGS.

Christ Church, Yellow Springs.

Communicants—last reported, 8; increased—by transfer, 1; present number, 9.

Net amount of communion alms, \$1.63.

Sunday School—average number of children, 6; of teachers, 2; catechised by minister, 3 times; during the winter months the school was discontinued.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$3; Contingent fund, \$2; Missions—foreign, \$5; domestic, \$6; diocesan, \$6.85; Parish Sunday School, \$20.03; parochial purposes, \$133.10, of which, \$65 were contributed by members of Christ Church, Cincinnati—Total, exclusive of amount paid on minister's salary, \$177.61.

We feel grateful for a donation of 100 prayer books, from the Bishop White Prayer Book Society.

PETER NEFF, JR. *Minister.*

St. James' Church, Zanesville.

Baptisms—infant, 12 ; adult, 4 ; confirmations, 9 ; communicants—last reported, 153 ; increased—by admission, 10 ; by transfer, 7 ; diminished—by death, 1 ; by removal, 18 ; present number, 151 ; marriages, 1 ; burials, 4.

Net amount of communion alms, \$163.

Sunday School—average number of children, 140 ; of teachers, 20.

Contributions—For Bishop's salary, \$100 ; Contingent fund, \$12 ; Missions—foreign, \$81 ; diocesan, \$100 ; City and Parish poor, \$387 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$40 ; relief of clergymen in the diocese, \$71.75—Total, \$791.75.

GEO. W. DUBOIS, *Rector.*

Rev. N. Badger

Reports, that during a large portion of the year, he has preached in his turn in Rosse chapel, Gambier, and in other places as opportunity offered : but his time has been principally devoted to his select school for boys. The Western Episcopalian has received a portion of his attention.

Rev. John L. Bryan

Reports to the Bishop, that since the last Convention in September, he has performed but little Missionary duty. This has been occasioned, in part, by the intervention of winter, when he does not generally go from home ; and, in part, for the want of a call to some field where he could bestow his labors. He has, however, done what he could, by preaching, and other ways, in assisting the worthy minister of St. Luke's Church, Granville ; and he here states his willingness to labor, according to his ability, in any place where he may be desired to do so by the proper authority.

Rev. Wm. Granville.

Agreeably to canon, I send you my report for the year ending June 7th, 1855. Since last October, 1854, I have had temporary charge of St. Paul's, Medina. 2 marriages ; 3 funerals ; 2 baptisms. Received in part payment of services, \$18.90.

Rev. Henry Payne

Respectfully reports his continued employment as an agent of A. S. S. U., in which capacity it is his duty to seek out the neglected, to furnish them with the means of religious instruction, and supply them with such books as may lead them to repentance towards God, and faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Many opportunities have occurred to allow me to preach, and conduct divine service, in our own Protestant Episcopal Church; but my standing mission is to the children, chiefly those who know no Church, and no religious instructor.

Rev. William B. Rally

Respectfully reports, that, during the last conventional year, he has, in accordance with the wishes of a few friends of the Church in the village of Walnut Hills, furnished them stately, on the afternoon of Sunday, with the services of the Church. The attendance has been very encouraging. A respectable choir has been organized; while the chants and responses are sustained, by the choir and congregation, with an unanimity and fervor not often met with in regularly established parishes. The accession of several families, hitherto connected with the city churches, bids fair to give to this missionary enterprise, at an early period, its full parochial development. Mr. R. has not lost sight of his mission to the German population. After several unsuccessful efforts to secure an eligible location, he finally established a Mission and Sunday School in a Hall, at the foot of Freeman street, near the Ohio river. The expenses of this mission have been generously assumed by members of St. John's parish, Cincinnati. The Sunday School at Trinity Church, conducted, during the past year, by Mr. R., has been successfully revived under the superintendence of the Hon. B. Storer. Mr. R. visited, in the spring, an interesting colony of French Protestants in Highland county, and officiated in their language. He has made arrangements for a repetition of his visit in the fall. Mr. R. has, with the aid of kind friends, distributed a number of English and German tracts, periodicals and prayer-books, and assisted emigrants, as far as able, with sympathy, advice and money.

Baptisms—infant, 8; burials, 2; communicants—Walnut Hills, 10; German mission, 5.

German Sunday School, (organized on Whit Sunday,) children, 24; teachers, 2.

Contributed in German Mission Chapel, for Diocesan Missions, \$2.

Rev. E. A. Strong.

The General Missionary and Agent of the committee on Missions and Education, respectfully reports, that it was with no desire to shrink from the work assigned him, that he asked and received leave of absence from the Diocese. He would have rejoiced to have been engaged this past year—as he was for more than half the preceding—as a Missionary among twenty-nine vacant parishes, and the forty-four counties in the State, now entirely destitute of either an organization or minister of our Church. But he left the field, because he had *seen* and *sympathized* with our brethren and their families, thus deprived of most dearly cherished privileges, and thus cut off from the highest means of glorifying Christ among the increasing multitudes around them, who ha-

bitually attend no place of worship. It was also because, from facts on every hand, and from his own observation and experience for more than twenty years' connection with the Church, in a number of our western States, he knew that the condition of Ohio, is but a sample of the *general destitution*, and of the *general demand* for godly, self-denying ministers of our Chruch. In view of these considerations, and the high facilities and advantages now offered at Gambier for a thorough education, he rejoiced in the privilege of traveling and acting as the Lord might direct, from October till April, in the special work of looking out laborers, and in securing the means necessary for such as are in need, while preparing to enter the field.

He would here, with gratitude to God, record his warmest thanks to the very many brethren out of the State, who received him with *open hearts and hands*, and with a *kindness which words cannot express*.

For the particular and immediate results of his efforts, he would simply refer to the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer of the committee, only adding, that he has pledged assistance, for a time, to a number of young men not included in those reports, who, it is hoped, will be with us by the beginning of next term.

Rev. Edward Winthrop

Reports to the Bishop, that, since the Diocesan Convention, last September, he has continued the work of Christian Education, in teaching a select school for young ladies, at his residence, in Norwalk. He has also assisted in the administration of the Holy Communion, and, during part of the time, has taught a Bible Class in Sunday School.

S U M M A R Y
OF THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS,
FOR EIGHT MONTHS, ENDING JUNE 7, 1855.

No. of Parishes visited by the Bishop.....	48
" Confirmations in 34 Parishes.....	266
" Churches consecrated.....	1
" New Parishes organized.....	8
" Candidates for Holy Orders.....	12
" Clergymen removed from the Diocese.....	5
" Clergymen received into the Diocese.....	5
" Clergymen canonically resident in the Diocese.....	68
" Clergymen engaged in parochial duties.....	50
" Clergymen engaged chiefly in the work of education.....	10
No. of Baptisms in 49 Parishes—infant 390, adult 75.....	465
" Communicants last reported in 83 Parishes	4711
" Communicants added in 42 Parishes	458
" Communicants diminished in 47 Parishes.....	357
" Communicants reported at the present Convention.....	4682
" Sunday Scholars in 47 Parishes	3398
" Marriages in 35 Parishes	145
" Burials in 48 Parishes.....	244
Amount contributed—	
For Episcopate and Convention expenses in 64 Parishes \$2,466 50	
For Missions and Education in 50 Parishes 10,349 64	
For Parochial purposes in 44 Parishes 8,285 33	
For Widows' and Orphans' Society in 19 Parishes 209 68	
For other benevolent purposes in 20 Parishes 8,078 96	
Total contributions reported in 69 Parishes 24,785 87	

ABSTRACT—TABLE I.

PLACE.	NAME OF PARISH.	COUNTY.	MUNIC.	WARD.	WHEN ORGANIZED OR ADMITTED.
Akron,	St. Paul's,	Summit,	Vacant,		Precise date not ascertained.
Ashتابولا,	St. Peter's,	Ashتابولا,	H. Wheeler,		February, -
Belleview,	St. Paul's,	Huron,	G. S. Davis,		September, -
Berkshire,	Grace,	Delaware,	J. Prince, Wm. Ford,		1851.
Boardman,	St. James',	Mahoning,	J. E. Ryan,		1817.
Causefield,	St. Stephen's,	Mahoning,	C. S. Doolittle,		April, -
Centreville,	St. David's,	Gallia,	C. S. Doolittle,		1817.
Chillicothe,	St. Paul's,	Ross,	A. N. Freeman,		1845.
Cincinnati,	Christ,	Hamilton,	C. M. Butler, D.D.,		September, -
Cincinnati,	St. John's,	Hamilton,	W. R. Nicholson,		September, -
Cincinnati,	St. Paul's,	Hamilton,	Vacant,		1817.
Cincinnati,	Trinity,	Hamilton,	Vacant,		1849.
Circleville,	St. Philip's,	Pickaway,	R. S. Nash,		August 18,
Cleveland,	Grace,	Cuyahoga,	L. Carter & G. B. Perry,		1828.
Cleveland,	St. John's,	Cuyahoga,	L. Burton,		September, -
Cleveland,	St. Paul's,	Cuyahoga,	R. B. Charlton, D.D.,		1843.
Columbus,	St. Luke's,	Cuyahoga,	J. A. Bolles, D.D.,		September, -
Columbus,	St. Paul's,	Lorain,	Vacant,		1818.
Columbus,	Trinity,	Franklin,	C. Reynolds,		September, -
Cross Creek,	St. James',	Franklin,	Vacant,		1826.
Cuyahoga Falls,	St. John's,	Jefferson,	L. L. Holden,		March, -
Dayton,	Christ,	Montgomery,	Vacant,		March, -
Delaware,	St. Peter's,	Dayton,	J. McElroy,		December, -
Dresden,	Zion,	Delaware,	A. T. McMurphy,		Not ascertained.
East Liverpool,	St. Stephen's,	Muskingum,	Vacant,		John Hanford, George Parks,
East Plymouth,	St. Matthew's,	Columbiana,	J. Hall,		Warren Munger, John Cohan,
East Springfield,	St. John's,	Ashتابولا,	Vacant,		Caleb Howard, Cyrus Platt,
Elyria,	St. Andrew's,	Jefferson,	Vacant,		Edward Adams, Benj. Adams,
Kechid,	St. Paul's,	Lorain,	Vacant,		None reported,
Franklin Mills,	Christ,	Cuyahoga,	Vacant,		None reported,
Tremont,	St. Paul's,	Portage,	H. Hollis,		Raymond Starr, Orrin Cowles,
			H. T. Hester,		John Doane, Horatio Slade,
					None reported,
					James Wilson, Daniel Copper,

		1827.			
A. Blake, F. Granger, T. Corlett, Vacant,	M. White, A. G. Scott, Geo. Van Dusen, B. S. Corning, A. P. Prichard, G. B. Johnson, None reported,	Before 1827.			
N. H. Schenck, T. B. Fairchild, S. Marks, W. C. French,	None reported, Isaac Sims, J. Milton Boyd, Anson A. Brewster, Isaac A. Bray, John W. Whigham, Saml. F. McDonald, Geo. W. Jackson,	September, December 19, September, August, March 29,			
N. H., Ashtabula, Highland, Summit, Erie,	None reported, Elias Benton, Wilson Robinson, None reported, None reported, Thomas Armstrong, Robt. Armstrong, Before 1839.	September, September, September, September, September,			
Ashtabula, Ross, Fairfield, Huron,	None reported, D. Risser, G. S. Davis, A. T. McMurphy,	1834.			
Richland, Washington, Marion, Starke,	Arius Ny, John Kendrick, G. B. Sturges, E. H. Cumming, D. Barker,	1837.			
Medina, Madison, Marietta, Marion,	Vacant, Lucas, Medina, St. Luke's,	1826.			
St. Paul's, St. Timothy's, St. Paul's, St. Paul's,	J. Boyd, J. Marion, Start, Vacant,	1836.			
Newton Falls, Norwalk, Painesville, Penfield,	G. Watson, D.D., Lake, Lorain, Bethel,	1839.			
St. Paul's, St. James', Christ, Newark,	A. Phelps, F. Granger, H. Hollis, Vacant,	1840.			
St. Mark's, St. Paul's, All Saints', St. Peter's,	C. W. Flitch, Vacant, Meigs, Scioto,	1841.			
Grace, Sandusky,	E. Burr, D.D., J. Hall, Z. W. Barker, E. Lane,	1842.			
	S. A. Bronson, D.D.,	1843.			
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TABLE I—CONTINUED.

ABSTRACT-TABLE II.

Thirty-Eighth Annual Convention

JUN.,

TABLE II—Continued.

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No Report

Anton Balla,

The following Tables of Statistics, prepared by the Secretary previous to the last Convention, are intended to exhibit, in connection with the preceding Abstracts of Parochial Reports, not only the rapid increase of the P. E. Church in less than forty years, but also the vast Missionary field which still remains in Ohio unoccupied by this Church. A few changes have occurred since the Convention assembled, but not materially varying the figures below:

THE MISSIONARY FIELD OF OHIO, AS RESPECTS THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Population in 1850, 1,981,682.—No. of Counties, 87.

Counties in which there is no Episcopal Church Organization.

COUNTIES.	POPULATION.	COUNTIES.	POPULATION.
Adams	18,943	Logan.....	19,207
Allen	12,103	Madison	10,031
Ashland	23,826	Mercer	7,712
Athens	18,215	Monroe.....	28,378
Auglaize.....	11,444	Morgan.....	28,326
Brown	27,327	Morrow.....	20,280
Carroll	17,686	Ottawa	8,308
Clermont	30,152	Paulding.....	1,766
Clinton	18,837	Perry	20,474
Crawford	18,139	Pike	10,954
Defiance	6,895	Preble	21,709
Fayette.....	12,728	Putnam	7,221
Fulton	7,780	Seneca.....	27,110
Geauga.....	17,757	Shelby.....	13,848
Guernsey.....	30,458	Tuscarawas	31,780
Hancock	17,149	Union	12,205
Hardin	8,251	Van Wert.....	4,794
Harrison.....	20,162	Vinton	9,358
Henry.....	3,432	Warren.....	25,538
Hocking	15,875	Williams.....	7,968
Holmes.....	20,381	Wood	9,124
Jackson	12,725	Wyandot	11,222
Counties, 44; Population.....	702,528		

Counties in which there are one or more Episcopal Organizations, but no Pastor or regular services.

Belmont	35,240	Darke.....	20,167
Butler.....	30,796	Medina	24,456
Champaign	19,950	Meigs	17,988
Columbiana	33,601	Richland.....	29,987
Coshocton	25,702	Trumbull.....	30,490

Counties, 10; Population

268,377

Which added to the preceding, gives 54 counties, with a population in 1850, of 970,900, (now probably 1,000,000,) in which there are no regular ministerial services in connection with this church.

Counties in which there is but one settled Pastor.

Clark.....	22,136	Marion.....	12,495
Fairfield.....	30,221	Montgomery.....	38,218
Franklin†	43,022	Pickaway	21,286
Gallia.....	17,066	Portage.....	24,810
Greene*.....	21,947	Ross*	31,883
Highland.....	25,864	Sandusky	14,455
Jefferson†.....	29,157	Scioto	18,429
Lake.....	14,645	Stark	39,980
Lawrence.....	15,247	Washington	29,538
Lorain†.....	25,757	Wayne.....	33,008
Mahoning *.....	23,745		—

Counties, 21; Pastors, 21; Parishes, 32; Population...532,909

* 2 parishes. † 3 parishes. ‡ 4 parishes.

Counties in which there are two or more Parishes and Pastors.

Ashtabula.....	28,766	population ;	5 parishes ;	2 pastors.
Cuyahoga.....	48,099	"	6 "	5 "
Delaware.....	21,816	"	2 "	2 "
Erie.....	18,578	"	3 "	2 "
Hamilton	156,878	"	4 "	4 "
Huron.....	26,202	"	4 "	2 "
Knox.....	28,792	"	3 "	2 "
Licking.....	38,781	"	2 "	2 "
Lucas.....	12,367	"	2 "	2 "
Miami	25,007	"	2 "	2 "
Muskingum	45,043	"	3 "	2 "
Summit.....	27,410	"	4 "	2 "

Counties, 12; Parishes, 40; Pastors, 29; Population, 477,739.

Whole number of Clergymen resident in the Diocese.....	68
No. in charge of 61 parishes and miss'y stations, with the Bishop..	50
No. engaged in teaching, and who have retired, from age and infirmities, or are absent from the Diocese.....	18

Whole No. of organized Parishes in the Diocese	88
No. which now enjoy full ministerial services.....	40
" " usually have full services, but are now vacant...	11
" " enjoy partial services with other parishes.....	20
" " are entirely destitute.....	17—88

NOTICE.

The Thirty-Ninth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, will, by Divine permission, be held in the Chapel of Harcourt Parish, Gambier, on Thursday, June 5th, A. D. 1856, commencing at 10 o'clock, a. m.

WILLIAM C. FRENCH,
Secretary of the Convention.

IRONTON, June 26, 1855.

CONSTITUTION AND CANONS

OF

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

The Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the States of America, accedes to and adopts the constitution of that Church, acknowledges its authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the first Wednesday the 20th of September in each year, unless otherwise ordered by a previous action. But in case an epidemic disease shall prevail at the place appointed other like cause shall render it obviously expedient, the Bishop, or in case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall appoint some other and send special notice of the same to every minister and vestry in the same, at least three weeks before the time of meeting. The Bishop, with such men and lay-delegates as shall at any time be duly assembled in Convention, constitute a quorum, provided, that in a case of vacancy in the Episcopate, the absence of the Bishop, such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall duly assemble, constitute a quorum, but in the latter case only so far as to adjourn to the next day, when, if the absence of the Bishop continue, the business of the convention shall proceed.

ARTICLE III.

A parish may be suspended from the right of representation in the Convention, in its connection with the Diocese wholly dissolved, by a vote of two-thirds of the Order, whenever the same shall be deemed conducive to the interests of the church.

ARTICLE IV.

Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen. The Bishop, every Minister of this Diocese canonically in charge of a congregation in with this Convention—or employed as a missionary under the ecclesiasticality of the Diocese—or regularly engaged as an instructor in any incorporated seminary of learning, or who is prevented by age and infirmities from the services of the ministry, shall be members of this Convention, provided they can show that they have been at least six months in the Diocese as above said. Each regularly organized church or congregation in canonical union his Church, shall send to the Convention one or more lay-delegates, not less than three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united in one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. A vote by Orders is called for, the delegates of each congregation or church, are entitled to one vote only. No person under ecclesiastical censure or excommunication shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention.

ARTICLE V.

Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may judge important to the good of the Church, or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the continuance of the Bishop from the Diocese for six months, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention, and shall do so, if applied for the purpose by any five Presbyteries or Vestries of the Diocese.

ARTICLE VI.

Bishop shall preside in the Convention, and shall open, or cause it to be opened with prayer. If there be no Bishop present, the Convention shall be called by the Secretary, and shall elect a President from among the Presbyteries.

ARTICLE VII.

At every Annual Convention, after a *viva voce* nomination, a Secretary shall be chosen, who shall remain in office until the next Annual Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes, and record all proceedings of the Convention; to attest its public acts; preserve its records; notify the parishes of the times and places of all stated and special Conventions, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

ARTICLE VIII.

Officers of the Convention, Delegates to the General Convention, and members of the Standing Committee, shall be elected by joint ballot of the clergy and laity, and a majority of votes shall be required for an election. In case of a failure or omission to elect any officers or annual Committee, the persons last elected shall continue to serve until others be chosen. Elections by ballot may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention.

ARTICLE IX.

The Standing Committee shall be chosen at each Annual Convention, and shall consist of three Clergymen who are Presbyters, and of three Laymen who are communicants in some church in the Diocese. The officers of said Committee required by the IVth Canon of the General Convention, shall be appointed at their first meeting. Any three of the Committee, the whole being summoned, provided one be a Presbyter, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business when convened at the request of the Bishop. At all other meetings a majority of the members shall be necessary to a quorum. It shall be the duty of the secretary of this committee to keep a faithful record of all the proceedings in a book provided for that purpose, to preserve the originals of all papers or letters addressed to the committee, to attest their acts, and to deliver to his successor all books and papers which in virtue of his office have been committed to him. The minutes of the committee, and all papers in their hands relative to the Church, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention. Vacancies occurring in the committee shall be supplied by vote of the remaining members.

ARTICLE X.

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an Annual Convention—or in a Special Convention called for that purpose at least sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the secretary of the Standing Committee to every clergyman and vestry of the Diocese. The election shall be conducted as follows: The clergy shall vote by ballot for some suitable person for the office of Bishop, and a majority of the clergy present shall determine the choice. A nomination thus made shall be communicated to the lay-members, who shall proceed to vote by ballot whether to receive or reject it, a majority of whom shall be necessary to confirm the election.

ARTICLE XI.

The clergy and lay-delegates in Convention shall deliberate in one body, and shall vote as such on all questions not otherwise provided for; except when a vote by Orders is called for by five members. In such case the concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to give validity to a measure—and on every question the votes of a majority of those present, or, if required by five, the votes of a majority of those present of the two Orders, respectively, shall decide.

ARTICLE XII.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A proposition for amendment shall be laid before the Convention in writing, and if approved, shall lie over till the next Annual Convention, and if then approved by two-thirds of the two Orders voting separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution thus altered shall be obligatory.

CANONS.**CANON I.****OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN NOT BEING A BISHOP.**

SEC. 1. Whenever any Presbyter or Deacon of the Diocese shall be thought to be guilty of any misconduct for which, according to Canon XXXVII of the

General Convention, he is liable to be tried, application shall be made in writing with the name of every one engaged in the application subscribed, to the Standing Committee, and if it appear to them that the evidence is sufficient to demand a trial, they shall forthwith present the clergyman to the Bishop, accordingly; the presentment being made in writing, and specifying with as much accuracy as possible, the offence or offences, with particular of time, place and circumstances; and every clergyman of this Diocese may for himself request of the Standing Committee the inquiry provided for in this section, in which case it shall be instituted and shall proceed according to the provisions of this Canon.

Sectr. 2. Presentment being made, the Bishop shall cause a copy of the presentment to be served on the accused, and shall also nominate eight Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, provided that no member of the Standing Committee who may have joined in the presentment be included in such nomination. Out of the Presbyters so nominated, the accused shall select five, and notify their names in writing, to the Bishop, within thirty days after the serving aforesaid. And if he does not give such notification within said time, the Bishop shall select five, and the Presbyters so selected, shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time and from place to place (but always within the Diocese), as they shall think necessary.

Sectr. 3. A written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Board shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused; and also on the Standing Committee, who by their President, or one of their number whom they may appoint for the purpose, shall prosecute the case and present such oral or documentary evidence to substantiate the accusation as they may be able to obtain.

Sectr. 4. If at the time of the first meeting of the Board, the whole number be not present, then those present may adjourn from time to time; and if it shall appear improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, those who do attend, being not fewer than three, shall proceed to trial, and a majority shall decide all questions and render judgment.

Sectr. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall, before the appointment of a Board for his trial, confess the truth of the facts of which he is accused, the Bishop may immediately proceed to pass sentence; if he shall not thus confess, he shall be considered as pleading *not guilty*.

Sectr. 6. In case a clergyman, presented and notified as above directed, shall not appear before the Board appointed for his trial, the Board may proceed as if he were present, unless they shall see fit to adjourn till another day. And if the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear before the Board, after due presentment and notification, and no sufficient reason for such neglect or refusal be given, the Board shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, and sentence of suspension from the ministry shall pass against him accordingly; but the sentence may be reversed by the Bishop. If within three calendar months the accused shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and receive his trial; but if he shall not so tender himself, the Bishop, in view of the acts alleged in the presentment, shall proceed, if he think proper, to pass sentence of degradation from the ministry.

Sectr. 7. At their first meeting the Board shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary who shall be from their own number or otherwise, as they determine, and before proceeding to trial they shall adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party in the trial—though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

Sectr. 8. When the Board proceed to trial, they shall hear such evidence as may be produced—which evidence shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses; and the examination of witnesses, and all the proceedings of the trial, shall be in public, if desired by the accused.

Sectr. 9. Application being made to the Bishop by either party, setting forth, satisfactorily, that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint some clergyman or layman to act as a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness: and the party applying as above shall give to the other party at least five days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional days' notice, exclusive of Sunday, shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the

Board, and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such committee may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

SECT. 10. The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively; which decision, together with the evidence and an attested record of all the proceedings, shall be delivered to the Bishop, accompanied with an opinion of the Board as to what sentence should be pronounced; whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same do not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop, if satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused; in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, including none of those who sat upon the former trial, before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

SECT. 11. If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his Judgment on the decision of the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in passing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the Diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

CANON II.

OF THE VESTRY OF A CHURCH.

SECT. 1. In every church of this Diocese, after prayer, there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, and not more than ten members, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. Two of these vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens; one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish, who, in the absence of the Rector, shall preside at meetings of the Vestry. In his absence the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings, attest the public acts of the Vestry, preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish, perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents belonging to the Parish that may be in his possession.

SECT. 2. In electing a Vestry, no person shall be entitled to vote who has not signed the Articles of Parochial Association, and who is not a holder or renter of one entire pew; and when two or more persons shall hold or rent a pew, they shall be entitled jointly to one vote; nor shall any person vote in a parish of which he is not a bona fide member. In those parishes in which there are no pews held or rented, or where pews are held subject to no tax or assessment, no individual shall be entitled to vote who is not a contributor to the church to such an amount as the respective parishes shall appoint.

SECT. 3. No person shall be elected a Vestryman who is not a pewholder, or a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected, and a bona fide member thereof.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a minister and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of divine worship, and, in general, to act as helpers to the minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the gospel; it being understood, always, that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese. It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper—to collect the alms at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the Church is destitute of a minister—and while the Church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation, by occasional clerical services or by lay-reading, as the circumstances may permit. Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden; and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden, shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry. And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure.

(Parishes now incorporated are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their Articles of Association or By-laws.)

CANON III.

OF THE ADMISSION OF A CHURCH OR CONGREGATION INTO UNION WITH THE CHURCH IN THIS DIOCESE.

To enable a Church or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention

their Articles of Association; or, if incorporated, their Charter, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated, according to law; and further that it be made to appear that such Church or Congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop—or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from a majority of the Standing Committee—that notice was given him or them, at least one month before the Convention, of the organization having taken place.

CANON IV.

OF REINHOLD PARSHTEIN.

Whenever a Parish shall so far fail in the leading objects of its organization, as to be in the opinion of the Bishop essentially defunct, he shall signify the same to the Convention, which may proceed forthwith, by a vote of two-thirds, to dissolve the said Parish, agreeably to Article III of the Constitution.

CANON V.

OF ATTENDANCE ON CONVENTION, AND REQUISITES FOR THE ADMISSION OF LAY-DEPUTIES.

It shall be the duty of all clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every church or congregation in union with the Church in this Diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the communicants of the church or congregation to be represented, and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the Wardens, in substance as follows:—

This is to certify that at a regular meeting of the Vestry of Church,
held on the day of A. B., who is a communicant of good
standing in said Church, was appointed a Lay-Delegate to represent the same in
the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, to be
held on the day of in the year of our Lord Signed

(Parishes already incorporated are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their articles of Incorporation or Association.)

CANON VI.

A LIST TO BE MADE OF THE MINISTERS IN THE BIOCEN

Sect. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall cause to be prepared a list of the ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures or Parishes or stations as Missionaries; or of the institutions of learning duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in parishes or missions, or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only,—specifying at the same time who of any class are Deacons: but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention, immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. The same shall be appended to the Journal and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

Sect. 2. When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in the Convention is disputed, it shall be determined according to the provisions of the IVth Article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

CANON VII.

OF PARISH REGISTERS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

SEC'T. 1. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all the Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, solemnized by him, or in his parish by any other Episcopal Minister; specifying the names and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of the parents and sponsors; the names of the adults baptized, and also of the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of the parties married, and of persons buried; and also the time of each rite respectively. This Register shall be kept by the minister, in a book kept for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry of the Church which he serves: which book shall be called the Parish Register, and shall be considered as a part of the records of the Parish.

Sect. 2. In addition to the register above named, the minister of each Parish shall keep a list of the communicants and of families within his cure, specifying the time when the former became communicants of the Church under his charge, and whether by removal from the communion of some other Church or otherwise.

Sect. 3. Every minister of this Diocese shall, on or before the day of every annual Convention, present or send to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the condition of the Parish, according to such form as shall be furnished by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

CANON VIII.
OF VACANT CONGREGATIONS.

Whenever a parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry immediately to give notice to the Bishop.

CANON IX.
OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Convention shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, according to the provisions of the VIIth Article of the Constitution, four clergymen, out of Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four laymen, who shall be in good standing as communicants in some church in union with the Diocese, to act as deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention; which deputies shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. And it shall be the duty of the deputies elect to signify to the Bishop, on some day at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Standing Committee, on notification from the Bishop, shall proceed to appoint as many clerical or lay deputies as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Diocese; and the person or persons so delegated, being furnished with the certificate of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, shall have all the rights of deputies elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of the deputies elect, above required, shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee.

CANON X.
OF LAY READERS.

None shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from the Standing Committee; and Lay Readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of the XIth Canon of the General Convention.

CANON XI.
OF PREPARING A REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

In order to carry into effect the recommendation contained in Canon LI of the General Convention, a committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at a regular meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a report of the state of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

CANON XII.
OF THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

SECT. 1. In addition to the duties assigned to the Secretary of the Convention in the VIIth article of the Constitution, it is made his duty to send to the minister, or in case there be no minister, to the wardens of each parish in union with the Convention, not less than four weeks before the next meeting of the Convention, a notification of the time and place of the said meeting, together with the form of a parochial report; and a form by which to certify the appointment of lay deputies, together with the assessment laid upon the parish for the expenses of the Diocese.

SECT. 2. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention of this Diocese, as well as of any charge or pastoral letter recently published, and to the General Convention a certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay deputies.

CANON XIII.
OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

SECT. 1. At every stated Convention there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and examined by a committee of the same.

SECT. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by a person chosen by the Standing Committee, who shall continue in office until an election is made by the Convention.

CANON XIV.
OF MISSIONS AND OF EDUCATION FOR THE MINISTRY.

SECT. 1. The Church of Christ being essentially a missionary institution, and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the mis-

sonary work; and the education of young men for the ministry being absolutely necessary to the furtherance of the Gospel in the same work, it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of every minister of this Diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every member of the Church to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes, as God hath prospered him, according to the apostolic direction: 1 Cor. xvi. 1.

SECT. 3. There shall be appointed, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and eight other members—four clerical, four lay—elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee; to whom shall be committed the appointment and regulation of beneficiaries, the appointment of missionaries, and missionary stations, and the making of all appropriations of money for either object.

SECT. 4. It shall be the privilege of the contributors to designate to which purpose, and also to which branch of the missionary cause, if such be the designation, their contribution shall be applied. If no designation be made, it shall be at the disposal of the Committee.

SECT. 5. The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of the Committee when he is present; if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

SECT. 6. The Committee shall meet annually, at the place, and on the first day, of the Annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournment. Four attending members shall be a quorum; and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

SECT. 7. No beneficiary or missionary shall be appointed without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the same; which consent shall be entered on the minutes.

SECT. 8. At every annual meeting of the Committee, the Secretary of the same shall submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated; which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

SECT. 9. The Committee shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be ex-officio members of the Committee. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention may be supplied by the Committee. No moneys shall be paid by the Treasurer, but by an order of the Committee, signed by the President.

CANON XV.

OF THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

SECT. 1. Every minister shall, on or about the first day of March of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

SECT. 2. On or about the first day of September of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector, or otherwise, solicit from every householder or pewholder who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

SECT. 3. Out of the sum so received the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of two thousand dollars per annum; the sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

CANON XVI.

OF LAY DISCIPLINE.

SECT. 1. Any communicant who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the rector, may be suspended from the communion.

SECT. 2. Upon the application of any communicant not under ecclesiastical censure, to the minister of his parish, or in case there be no minister, to the senior, or in his absence to the junior warden, for that purpose, it shall be the duty of such minister or warden to give such applicant a certificate of good standing as a communicant. And no communicant of one parish shall be admitted to record as a communicant in any other, without producing satisfactory testimonials of being a communicant in good standing, to the minister of the parish with which he or she may wish to unite. But in case such minister or warden shall, in consequence of the applicant being under censure, refuse to give such certificate, he shall give to the applicant the reasons for his refusal in writing.

CANON XVII.

OF CONFIDENTIAL EXPENSES.

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the con-

tingent expenses of the Church. The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention shall be applied to the following objects—1. To defray the traveling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the postages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the Diocese by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the Journals of the Convention, and such other documents as may be ordered by the Convention. 5. To pay the traveling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding fifty dollars to each delegate. 6. To pay the traveling expenses of prebishops attending ecclesiastical trials.

CANON XVIII.

OF ALTERATIONS IN THE CANONS AND ADDITIONS THERETO

No proposition to alter or add to the Canons of the Diocese shall be considered by the Convention, except at a stated meeting, and after one day's notice thereof, given in open Convention; nor (unless by unanimous consent) until it shall have been reported on by a committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therin; but in such case the same (unless negatived by a majority of the votes), shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

CANON XIX.

OF FORMER CANONS.

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

FORM FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

We whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together under the name and style and title of the Parish of Church, in the township of county of , and State of Ohio: and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and of the Diocese of Ohio.

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be called on ten days' notice. Wardens and Vestry being chosen and recorded, together with the minutes of the meeting, in a book to be thereafter kept as a parish register, a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the parish to the Bishop; which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of association, the name of the parish, with those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be taken as soon as possible to have the parish incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergyman of the Diocese, to be admitted into union therewith; for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop should be sent to the Convention, certified by the clerk of the parish.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

[The following are the items which every parish, through its minister (or parish officers, if there be no minister) is required to furnish the Bishop on or before the first day of each annual Convention:]

Name of the Parish—Minister—and Wardens.

Number of infant baptisms in the parish during the year—of adult baptisms—of confirmations—marriages—burials.

Number of communicants previously reported—increased during the year, by admission—by transfer: decreased, by death—by removal—by discipline: present number.

Average number of children and teachers in Sunday School—number of times catechised by the Rector.

Amount contributed for the following or any other purposes: Bishop's Salary—Contingent Fund—Foreign Missions—Domestic Missions—Diocesan Missions—Sunday School—Widows' and Orphans' Society.

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

Whereas John McCorkle and Charles Hammond, a Committee appointed on behalf of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, have, by their petition to the General Assembly, represented that a Seminary for Theological Education has been established by said Convention within this State, and in order to the more convenient management of the concerns of the said Seminary, and to the permanency of its establishment in this State, have prayed that the said Seminary may be incorporated—Therefore,

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the Right Reverend Philander Chase, now Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, Roger Searle, Intrepid Morse, Ezra B. Kellogg, Samuel Johnston, Bezaleel Wells, William K. Bond, John Johnston, and Charles Hammond, the present Trustees of the said Seminary, and their successors appointed in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of said Seminary, as now established, be, and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, in fact and in name, by the name of the "Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio;" and by that name shall have succession, and be capable in law of suing and being sued, defending and being defended in all courts and places, and in all manner of actions, causes and complaints whatsoever; and may have a common seal, and change the same at their discretion:—and by that name and style shall be capable in law and equity of taking and holding by devise and otherwise, or of purchasing, holding and enjoying to them and their successors, any real estate in fee simple or otherwise, any goods, chattels and personal estate, and of selling, leasing, mortgaging or otherwise disposing of said real and personal estate, or any part thereof, as they may think proper: *Provided*, That the clear annual income of such real and personal estate, exclusive of any lands or tenements that may be occupied by the said Seminary for its accommodation, or that of its officers or professors, shall not exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. That the present Trustees of said Seminary and their successors in office, under the Constitution thereof, as now established, or as the same may be hereafter altered or amended, shall have the care and management of said Seminary and of its estate and property, and shall have power from time to time, to sell or otherwise dispose of its estate and property, and to apply the avails thereof and all other funds of said Seminary for its benefit and advantage, as they shall deem it expedient; and shall also have power, in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of said Seminary, to make by-laws and ordinances for the appointment of professors and other officers of said Seminary, for regulating the duties and conduct of the professors, officers and students therein, for conducting its business and concerns, and generally for the good government of the same: *Provided*, That the same be not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the United States, or of this State.

SEC. 3. That this act be, and is hereby declared a public act, and that the same be construed in all courts and other places, benignly and favorably for every beneficial purpose therein intended.

SEC. 4. That the General Assembly may at any time hereafter modify or repeal this act; but no such modification or repeal shall divert the real and personal estate of the Seminary to any other purpose than the education of Ministers of the Gospel in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

M. T. WILLIAMS,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
ALLEN TRIMBLE,
Speaker of the Senate

DECEMBER 29, 1824.

An Act, further supplementary to an act, entitled "An act to Incorporate the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio."

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio shall have power to establish in connection with said Sem-

nary, a College, and Halls for preparatory education; that they shall have the care and management of all property, which has been or may hereafter be given, or is otherwise possessed for the use and benefit of the same; and to appoint a President and Professors, and all necessary officers for the purposes of government and instruction in said College and Halls.

SEC. 2. The President and Professors of said Theological Seminary shall constitute a Faculty, with the power of conferring Degrees in the Arts and Sciences, and of performing all such other acts as pertain to the Faculties of Colleges for the encouragement and reward of learning; and the name and style by which the said degrees shall be conferred shall be that of "The President and Professors of Kenyon College in the State of Ohio."

SEC. 3. The President and Professors of said Theological Seminary shall also constitute a Faculty with the power of conferring Degrees in Theology, and of doing all such other acts as appertain to such faculties for the encouragement of theological learning; and the name and style by which said degrees shall be conferred shall be that of "The President and Professors of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio."

JAS. J. FARAN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
WILLIAM HAWKINS,
Speaker of the Senate.

MARCH 16, 1839.

CONSTITUTION OF THE SEMINARY.

ARTICLE I.

The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese of Ohio, do hereby establish a Seminary for the Education of Ministers of the Gospel in said Church; such Seminary to be founded upon donations made and to be made, in the united kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland, and in America, for that purpose, and to be known by the name of "The Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio."

ARTICLE II.

The said Seminary shall be established by the Convention of the Diocese, at such place within the same as shall be consistent with the deed of donation, executed by the Bishop of Ohio, in England, on the 27th day of November, 1823 and when once established, shall forever after remain in the same place.

ARTICLE III.

The direction and management of said Seminary shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, which shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, and of four clerical and four lay Trustees, to be chosen by the Convention of the Diocese, and to remain in office for the term of three years, and until their successors are chosen, provided that no officer of the Seminary or of any institution that may be annexed thereto, except the President of Kenyon College, shall be eligible to said Board. This article, so far as it respects the number of clerical and lay Trustees, may from time to time be amended by a concurring resolution of the Convention, and of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, so as to increase the number of clerical and lay Trustees, until the number of each may be twelve; which number shall thereafter constitute the permanent Board of clerical and lay Trustees.

ARTICLE IV.

A majority of the whole number of Trustees shall be necessary to constitute a quorum to do business. The Bishop, if present, shall preside. In his absence, a President pro tem. shall be appointed by ballot; whose office shall expire with the final adjournment of the meeting of the Board at which the appointment was made. If any vacancy shall happen in the Board of Trustees, such vacancy shall be filled by the Convention that may meet next thereafter.

ARTICLE V.

The Seminary shall be under the immediate charge and superintendence of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, as President of the Institution, and during the recess of the Board the Bishop shall be the Prudential Committee in all secular matters of the institution.

ARTICLE VI.

The Board of Trustees shall have power to constitute professorships, and to appoint and remove the professors, and to prescribe the course of study, and to make all rules, and regulations, and statutes which may be necessary for the government of the Seminary, and to secure its prosperity: Provided, that all such rules, regulations, or other proceedings, shall forever be in conformity to the doctrine, discipline, constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcop-

pal Church in the United States of America, and to the course of study, prescribed, or to be prescribed, by the Bishops of the said Church."

ARTICLE VII.

If at any time the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America shall, by resolution, entered in their Journals, declare any rule, regulation, statute or other proceeding of the Board of Trustees hereby constituted, to be contrary to the doctrine, discipline, constitution, and canons of the Church, or to the course of study prescribed by the Bishops, such rule, regulation, statute, or other proceeding, shall thenceforth cease to have effect, and shall be considered as abrogated and annulled.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, shall individually, and any two or more of them, be visitants of the Seminary, to take care that the course of discipline and instruction be conformable to the preceding provisions. And it shall be lawful for any one of the Bishops, aforesaid, at any time, to institute in his own name and character of Bishop, any proper legal process to enforce and secure the administration of the Seminary according to the foundation herein prescribed.

ARTICLE IX.

The Board of Trustees, as soon as the Convention of the Diocese shall so instruct them, shall annex to the Seminary, a College, with the necessary Preparatory Schools; subject, like the Seminary, to the provisions of the 7th and 8th Articles of the Constitution, which College shall have a separate President and Faculty, the Trustees having power to make all needful by-laws, and to appoint and remove all professors and other officers, necessary to the government and prosperity of said College: Provided, that the President be appointed on the nomination of the Bishop of the Diocese, and that in case he shall not so nominate within two months after being requested so to do by the Board of Trustees, then they shall proceed to elect a President without such nomination; provided also that his Episcopal supervision and authority be understood as embracing the spiritual interests of the College and its Preparatory Schools, and that the present property of the said Seminary, whatever use the Trustees may permit the College to make of any part thereof, shall always remain exclusively the property of the Seminary.

ARTICLE X.

The Board of Trustees shall meet at Gambier, annually, on the day preceding the Commencement. The President of the Board shall at any time, upon the application in writing of one member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and two clerical and two lay Trustees, call a meeting of the Board to be held at such other time and place as he may appoint, not exceeding thirty days from the day on which the application shall be presented.

ARTICLE XI.

This Constitution may be amended by the concurrent vote of the Bishop, a majority of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, and a majority of the Convention of the Diocese.

Provided, That no alteration or amendment whatever be made in this Constitution, whereby the funds of the Seminary, raised in England, be appropriated to any other use than the education and theological instruction of students for the ministry in the Protestant Episcopal Church. This proviso, however does not preclude the lawfulness and constitutionality of annexing a Collego to the Seminary; and making provision so far as practicable, for the admission of other students, at their own expense, to the benefit of a College education.

EPISCOPATE FUND.

An Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That Benjamin Gardiner, John Mathews, and John C. Wright, and their successors in office, be, and they are hereby created a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, by which name they shall be, and are hereby made capable of receiving, holding and disposing of any estate, real or personal,

which may be in them invested, for the support and maintenance of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church within the Diocese of Ohio, and by which name they may sue and be sued, and in relation to the property in them invested do and perform every act necessary for the receiving, safe keeping, using and disposing of the same to the best advantage : Provided, that the actual value of the property invested as aforesaid, shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, nor the annual income therefrom fifteen hundred dollars.

Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio, shall be elected triennially by the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, and shall continue until their successors are duly appointed ; and this corporation shall at all times be subject to be altered, new-modified, or repealed, as the General Assembly may deem useful ; Provided, that no alteration, modification or repeal, shall divert the use of said fund from its original destination, which is hereby declared to be making provision for the support of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio.

January 24th, 1821.

TENTH ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

Society for Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN OHIO.

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ZANESVILLE, June 9, 1855.

The tenth annual meeting of the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Children of Deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the State of Ohio, was holden in St. James' Church, Zanesville, on the morning of this day, at 8 o'clock. The Rt. Rev. Bishop McIlvaine, ex officio President of the Society, took the chair. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The Rev. Dr. Muenscher, Secretary of the Society, submitted his annual report, as follows, which, on motion, was accepted and approved:

### SECRETARY'S TENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

Since the last annual meeting of the Society, four new members have been added to our number, viz: Rev. Messrs. Peter Neff, Jr., Daniel Risser, John G. Downing and William B. Rally. One highly esteemed brother has departed this life, viz: Rev. George Thompson, but leaving no wife or children entitled to an annuity. His premium note has been cancelled. The present number of members is 70; of these, 27 reside out of the Diocese of Ohio. The receipts for the last eight months, according to the report of the Treasurer, herewith submitted, have been: In premium notes \$150.00, and in cash \$786.00—Total, \$936.00. A permanent investment has been made of \$650.00 in Knox County Bonds. One annuity of \$75.00 has been paid to the family of the late Rev. Alex. F. Dobb. The second to the same par-

ties will fall due soon; as also one to the surviving family of the late Rev. Mr. Jukes. The property of the Society now consists of:

|                                                      |                |
|------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Eleven shares Mechanics' Bank Stock, N. Y., par val. | \$275 00       |
| Knox County 6 per cent. Bonds .....                  | 2,050 00       |
| Knox County 7 per cent. Bonds.....                   | 1,800 00       |
| Mississippi and Milwaukie Railroad Bond, 10 per ct.  | 1,000 00       |
| Notes, chiefly Premium Notes, not bearing interest.. | 2,113 30       |
| Cash on hand, and temporary loan.....                | 961 54         |
| <br>Total. ....                                      | <br>\$8,199 84 |

Parochial contributions have been received since the last report of the Treasurer, from fourteen churches within the Diocese of Chio, and from one church (St. Jude's, Philadelphia,) in the Diocese of Pennsylvania. The contributing parishes have been as follows: St. Paul's, Steubenville, Epiphany Church, Urbana, St. John's Cleveland, St. Peter's, Delaware, (2,) St. James', Painesville, St. Stephen's, Canfield, Christ Church, Dayton, Trinity Church, Newark, Trinity Church, Toledo, St. James', Piqua, St. John's, Cincinnati, St. Paul's, Norwalk, St. Jude's Philadelphia, Pa., St. Paul's, Chillicothe, Christ Church, Xenia. The sum received from this source, including collection in Grace Church Sandusky City, during the session of the Convention, amounts \$319.00.

All of which is respectfully submitted:

JOS. MUENSCHER, *Secretary.*

The report of the Treasurer was then read by the Secretary, and, on motion, accepted and approved. The Society then adjourned until 7½ o'clock p. m., when, in the absence of the Bishop, the Rev. Dr. Burr was called to the chair, and Rev. Mr. Phelps was appointed Secretary *pro tem.* The Society then proceeded to the choice of officers for the year ensuing, whereupon the following persons were reelected:

Rt. Rev. C. P. McILVAINE, D. D., President, (*ex officio.*)

Rev. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D., Secretary.

GEORGE BROWNING, Esq., Treasurer.

On motion, the Society adjourned *sine die.*

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary.*

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*The Clergy Widows' and Orphans' Society in Account with  
GEORGE BROWNING, Treasurer.*

| 1854.  | Dr.                                                                                                                      | NOTES, ETC. | CASH.      |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| Oct.   | To Thos. B. Fairchild, off premium note (omitted Nov. 4, 1853).....                                                      | \$1 04      |            |
|        | L. L. Holden, off premium note (omitted June 15, 1853).....                                                              | 6 00        |            |
|        | Counterfeit bill taken in collection.....                                                                                |             | 1 00       |
|        | Stationery and postage paid Dr. Muenscher.....                                                                           |             | 1 29       |
|        | Abraham Wheeler, off premium note.....                                                                                   | 64          |            |
|        | Intrepid Morse, off premium note.....                                                                                    | 25 82       |            |
|        | L. Burton, off premium note.....                                                                                         | 2 25        |            |
|        | C. S. Doolittell, off premium note.....                                                                                  | 4 00        |            |
|        | F. B. Nash, off " "                                                                                                      | 2 00        |            |
|        | James McElroy, " "                                                                                                       | 9 91        |            |
|        | J. L. Bryan, " "                                                                                                         | 25 00       |            |
|        | G. B. Sturges, " "                                                                                                       | 5 28        |            |
|        | G B. Sturges, 2 notes paid .....                                                                                         | 6 00        |            |
|        | D. W. Tolford, off premium note.....                                                                                     | 1 73        |            |
| Nov.   | Cash paid for \$500 Knox Co. 7 per cent Bonds and accruing interests.....                                                |             | 523 34     |
| 1855.  |                                                                                                                          |             |            |
| Jan'y  | Cash paid for \$50 Knox Co. Bond.....                                                                                    |             | 50 00      |
|        | Cash paid for tin trunk and lock for Treasurer.                                                                          |             | 87         |
|        | Cash paid Thomas Dobb, guardian, annuity due minor children of Rev. Alex. F. Dobb, deceased .....                        |             | 75 00      |
| Feb'y  | Printing Report and carriage .....                                                                                       |             | 8 60       |
|        | E. Boyden, off premium note.....                                                                                         | 9 49        |            |
| April. | Certificate of Stock in Mechanics' Bank, New York City, cancelled and new certificate issued, received and credited..... | 217 80      |            |
|        | James McElroy, off premium note.....                                                                                     | 10 00       |            |
|        | Paid stationery and sundry postages.....                                                                                 |             | 2 19       |
|        | George Thompson, premium note cancelled..                                                                                | 50 00       |            |
|        |                                                                                                                          |             |            |
|        | Balance in hands of Treasurer, as per report carried to new account.....                                                 | \$376 96    | \$662 29   |
|        |                                                                                                                          | \$7,238 30  | \$961 54   |
|        |                                                                                                                          |             |            |
|        |                                                                                                                          | \$7,615 26  | \$1,623 83 |

The following sums were received after this report was closed :

From P'arochial Collections—St. Johns' Church, Worthington, \$3; St. James', Painesville, \$16; St. James', Boardam, \$5; Zion Church, Dresden, (for 1854) \$5; St. Matthew's, Madison, (for 1854) \$5; Zion Church, Dresden, (for 1855) \$8; St. Matthew's, (for 1855) \$2; St. Johns' Church, Cleveland, \$8; St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, \$10; St. Paul's, Cleveland, \$15.67; St. Paul's, Steubenville, \$19.45; All Saint's, Portsmouth, \$10; St. James' Piqua, \$35.

From Members, N. Badger, \$10; A. Guion, \$3; E. H. Cumming, \$3; Bishop McIlvaine, \$3; T. B. Fairchild, \$3; L. L. Holden, \$3; Peter Neff, Jr., \$3; D. Risser, \$3; I. Morse, \$3; Dr. Burr, \$3; J. E. Ryan, \$3; W. R. Nicholson, \$3; H. Blackaller, \$3.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*The Clergy Widows' and Orphans' Society in Account with  
GEORGE BROWNING, Treasurer.*

| 1854. | CR.                                                                         | NOTES, ETC. | CASE.    |
|-------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| Oct.  | By amount of balance bro't forward from old account rendered .....          | \$6,640 26  | \$837 83 |
|       | By Abraham Wheeler 7.00 ; Alvah Guion, 3.00 .....                           |             | 10 00    |
|       | By Peter Neff, Jr .....                                                     | 50 00       | 3 00     |
|       | By M. T. C. Wing, 3.00 ; E. H. Cumming, 3.00 ; J. E. Ryan, 3.00 .....       |             | 9 00     |
|       | By Lawson Carter, 3.00 ; Jas. EcElroy, 3.00 ; W. R. Nicholson, 3.00 .....   |             | 9 00     |
|       | By Daniel Risser .....                                                      | 50 00       | 3 00     |
|       | By Ed. Winthrop, 3.00 ; Alfred Blake, 3.00 ; Henry Payne .....              |             | 9 00     |
|       | By W. C. French, 3.00 ; H. B. Walbridge, 3.00 ; C. P. McIlvaine, 3.00 ..... |             | 9 00     |
|       | By W. A. Smallwood, 3.00 ; J. L. Bryan, 3.00 ; R. S. Nash, 3.00 .....       |             | 9 00     |
|       | By collection, St. Paul's, Steubenville, 25.83 ; Intrepid Morse, 3.00 ..... |             | 28 83    |
|       | By collection, Epiphany Church, Urbana, 4.72 ; D. W. Tolford, 5.00 .....    |             | 9 72     |
|       | By collection, St. John's, Cleveland .....                                  |             | 5 25     |
|       | By collection, St. Peter's, Delaware .....                                  |             | 10 00    |
|       | By collection, St. James', Painesville .....                                |             | 5 00     |
|       | By collection, St. Stephen's, Canfield .....                                |             | 4 00     |
|       | By collection, Christ Church, Dayton .....                                  |             | 10 00    |
|       | By collection, Trinity Church, Newark .....                                 |             | 5 00     |
|       | By collection, Trinity Church, Toledo .....                                 |             | 11 00    |
|       | By collection, St. James', Piqua .....                                      |             | 40 00    |
|       | By col., Grace Church, Sandusky City, (Conven.) .....                       |             | 50 69    |
|       | By interest on temporary loans .....                                        |             | 1 79     |
| Nov.  | By Knox County 7 per cent. Bonds .....                                      | 500 00      |          |
| 1855. |                                                                             |             |          |
| Jan'y | By Knox County 6 per cent. Bonds .....                                      | 50 00       |          |
|       | By Henry Payne (Dec. 1854) .....                                            |             | 36       |
|       | By John G. Downing .....                                                    | 50 00       | 3 00     |
|       | By collection, St. Johns', Cincinnati .....                                 |             | 72 92    |
|       | By Dividend, Mechanics' Bank, New York .....                                |             | 9 90     |
|       | By Coupons of Knox County Bonds cashed .....                                |             | 120 00   |
| Feb'y | By A. D. Benedict, 3.00 ; H. N. Bishop, 3.16 .....                          |             | 6 16     |
|       | By collection, St. Paul's, Norwalk .....                                    |             | 16 00    |
|       | By J. T. Brooke, 3.10 ; E. A. Strong, 3.20 ; R. K. Mead, 3.00 .....         |             | 9 30     |
|       | By Coupons, cashed, and prem. Mississippi and Milwaukie Railroad Bond ..... |             | 50 25    |
| April | By E. Boyden, 16.00 ; G. D. Gillespie, 3.00 ; Geo. Denison, 3.00 .....      |             | 22 00    |
|       | By Ed. Lounsbury, 3.00 ; S. A. Bronson, 3.00 ; T. M. Smith, 3.00 .....      |             | 9 00     |
|       | By collection, St. Jude's Church, Philadelphia .....                        |             | 20 00    |

## TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

| 1855.  | Dr.                                                                                      | NOTES, ETC. | CASH.      |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------|
| April  | By cash for Coupons, and prem. Knox County 7 per cent. Bonds.....                        |             | 127 27     |
| May 29 | By new certificates, 11 shares, 25.00 each, of Mechanics' Bank Stock, New York City..... | 275 00      |            |
|        | By collection, St. Paul's, Chillicothe .....                                             |             | 20 00      |
|        | By collection, St. Peter's, Delaware.....                                                |             | 13 00      |
|        | By collection, Christ Church, Xenia.....                                                 |             | 5 62       |
|        | By Abraham Wheeler, 3.00; E. C. Benson, 3.00; J. Y. McMaster, 10.80.....                 |             | 16 80      |
| May 31 | By interest to this date on temporary loans.....                                         |             | 22 15      |
|        |                                                                                          | \$7,615 26  | \$1,623 83 |

## MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY.

|                                         |                                         |                            |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1845.                                   | Rev. Humphrey Hollis,                   | Rev. G. D. Gillespie,      |
| Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D.D., D.C.L., | " Ed. Lounsbury,                        | " S. Y. McMasters, LL. D., |
| Rev. Alex. F. Dobb,* " E. H. Canfield,  | " A. T. McMurphy, " Henry L. Richards,† | " Intrepid Morse,          |
| " Thos. B. Fairchild,                   | " Thos. M. Smith, D.D.,                 | " F. B. Nash,              |
| " Wm. A. Smallwood, D.D,                | " George B. Sturges,                    | " W. R. Nicholson,         |
| " Alanson Phelps,                       | " C. C. Townsend,†                      | " H. B. Walbridge.         |
| " Erastus Burr, D.D.,                   | " M. T. C. Wing, D.D.                   | 1851.                      |
| " Richard S. Killen,†                   | 1847.                                   | " H. N. Bishop,            |
| " James B. Britton,                     | " E. Boyden,                            | " Henry Blackaller,        |
| " Chauncey Colton, D.D.,†               | " Abraham Bronson,*                     | " J. Jarvis Carter,*       |
| " Alvah Guion,                          | " Chauncey W. Fitch,                    | " Erastus A. Strong,       |
| " L. L. Holden,                         | " Richard K. Mead,                      | " John Swan,               |
| " Joseph Muenscher, D.D.,               | " G. B. Perry, D.D.,                    | " Geo. Thompson.*          |
| " Henry Payne,                          | " L.L.D.,                               | 1852.                      |
| " Charles B. Stout,                     | " J. Rice Taylor.                       | " Lawson Carter,*          |
| " Abraham Wheeler,                      | " 1848.                                 | " John W. Clark,           |
| " Edward Winthrop.                      | " W. W. Arnett,                         | " M. R. Jukes,*            |
|                                         | " R. Bethell Claxton,                   | " James McElroy,           |
|                                         | " D.D.,                                 | " Dudley A. Tyng.          |
|                                         | " Thomas B. Dooley,                     | 1853.                      |
|                                         | " John Ufford.                          | " A. D. Benedict,          |
|                                         | " 1849.                                 | " C. S. Doolittell,        |
| " S. A. Bronson, D.D.,                  | " Lewis Burton,                         | " J. E. Ryan,              |
| " J. T. Brooke, D.D.,                   | " R. S. Nash,                           | " Wm. Sparrow, D.D.        |
| " Alfred Blake,                         | " K. J. Stewart,†                       | 1854.                      |
| " Norman Badger,                        | " David W. Tolford,                     | " E. C. Benson,            |
| " J. L. Bryan,                          | " Lloyd Windsor.                        | " John G. Downing,         |
| " G. S. Davis,                          | " 1850.                                 | " Peter Neff, Jr.,         |
| " George Denison,                       | " Anson Clark,                          | " Daniel Riscer,           |
| " L. N. Freeman,                        | " Ed. H. Cumming,                       | " Wm. B. Rally,            |
| " W. C. French,                         | " Charles Dresser,†                     | " Edward W. Syle,          |
| " Richard Gray,                         | " G. W. DuBois,                         |                            |

\*Deceased.

†Withdrawn.

## FUNDAMENTAL LAWS OF THE SOCIETY.

1. Any Clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States may be a member of this corporation and entitled to all its privileges, provided he deposits with the Treasurer a premium note for \$50, not bearing interest, and pays annually the sum of \$3 to the Society. The first annual payment is to be made at the time of giving the premium note.

2. The premium notes shall constitute a reserved fund, subject to requisition from time to time, to supply any deficiencies which may arise in the available means of the Society, for the payment of annuities.

3. A failure to make the annual payments when they become due, or to answer a call for an assessment on the premium notes, shall subject the delinquent to a penalty of  $12\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. per annum on the amount due and unpaid: and at the expiration of three years, should such delinquency continue, his beneficial interest in the institution shall be forfeited.

4. The beneficial interest of a member shall not commence until the expiration of one year from the date of his premium note; and not until he has made two annual payments.

5. If a contributor die before having made five annual payments, his widow and children shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of his premium note (\$50.) If he should die after having made five annual payments and less than ten, they shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of the premium note and one-half that amount, (\$75.) If he have made ten annual payments or upwards, they shall receive an annuity equal to twice the amount of the premium note, (\$100.)

6. At the death of a contributor, the balance which may be due on his premium note, together with any other claims which the Corporation may hold against him, shall be assigned to the annuitants in part payment of the first annuity.

7. No annuity shall be considered as having become due to the family of any contributor until one year from the time of his death.

8. Annuities shall be paid widows during life, unless they marry again: in which case their annuities shall cease and fall to their children entirely: and children, if males, shall enjoy annuities until they be twenty-one years old; if females, until they are twenty-five years old, unless they previously marry, upon which their annuities shall cease.

9. If there be a child and no widow, such child shall be entitled to the whole annuity, during the time he or she continues to be an annuitant; but if there be more than one child and no widow, the annuity shall be equally divided among them till they severally marry or exceed the age of annuitants, which annuity shall be laid out in their education or apprenticeship, with the advice of such guardians or executors as the father may have nominated; and if none such shall have been nominated by the father, then in such manner for the benefit of the child or children as the Corporation shall direct.

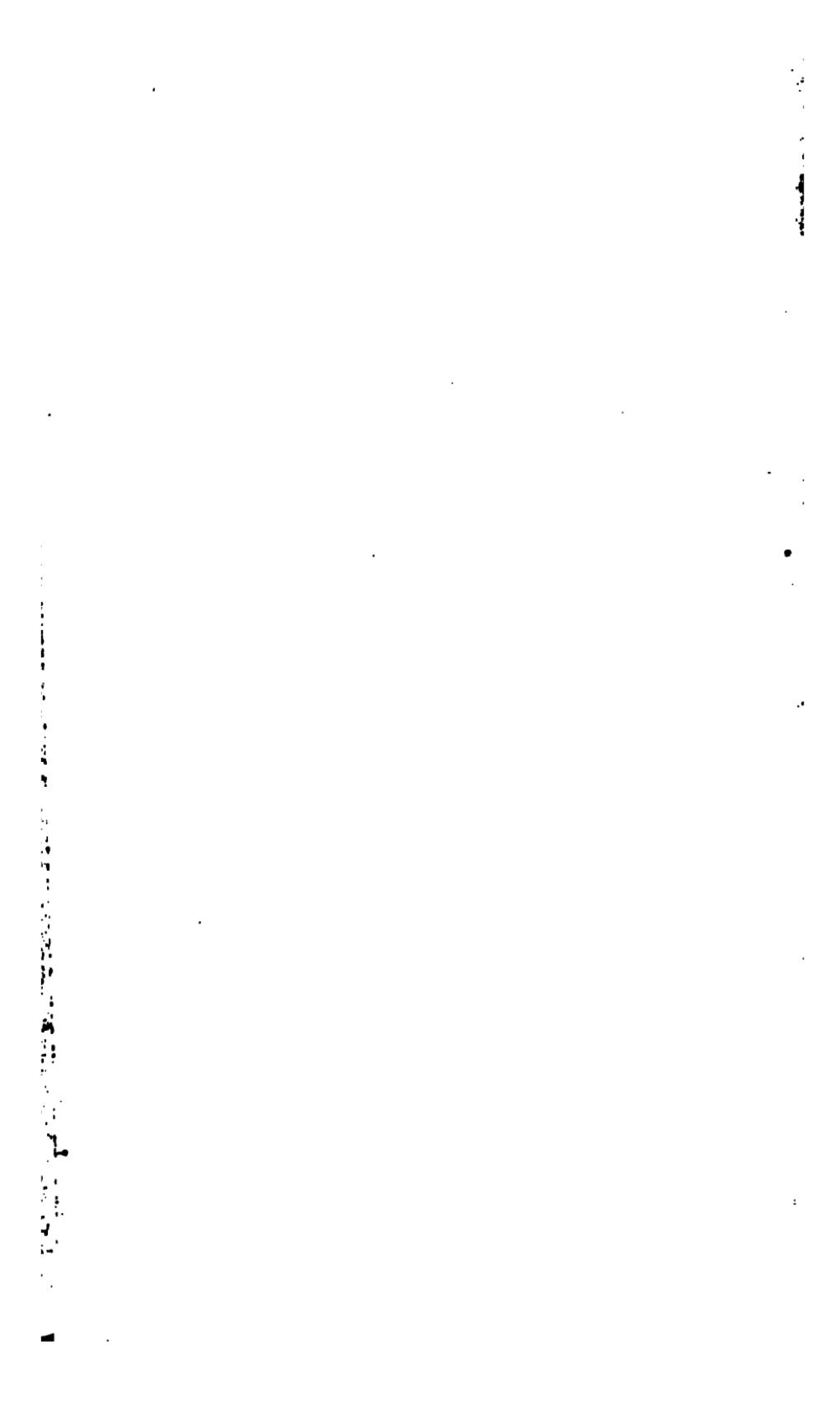
10. If there be a widow and one child, the annuity shall be equally divided between them; but if the widow marry or die before the child

shall have attained, if a male, twenty-one years, or if a female, twenty-five, the whole of the annuity shall belong to such child during the period to which he or she may be entitled thereto. And if the child die before the mother; or when the child come to the age herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the mother, she having remained a widow, and shall be enjoyed by her during the period of her natural life, if she remain a widow: but if she should marry again, nothing shall be paid her after the period of her marriage. If there be a widow and two or more children, the widow shall have one-third during her widowhood or natural life, and the remainder shall be equally divided among her children; and if a child should die, or when such child may arrive at the age of twenty-one years if a male, or twenty-five if a female, his or her share shall be enjoyed by the remaining children, till the male or males arrive at the age of twenty-one, and the female or females at the age of twenty-five; provided always, that when death shall have reduced the number of children to one, or the arrival of the children to the age herein prescribed shall have reduced the children entitled to annuities to the number of one, the annuity shall be equally divided between such child and the widow, during the period of her natural life, or of her remaining a widow; and that if death should remove all her children, or when they have arrived at the ages herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the widow if she be alive and remain a widow; and be enjoyed by her during the period of her widowhood. But it shall be always lawful for a member of the Corporation to make such disposition by his will, of the rights to which his subscription may have entitled his family, as he may see fit.

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**RULES FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OF THE CORPORATION.**

1. The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be holden during the session of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, at which time shall be chosen a President, Treasurer and Secretary, who shall remain in office until their successors are appointed. The Bishop of the Diocese, if he be a member, shall be President *ex-officio*.
2. On urgent occasions the President shall notify the Secretary to call special meetings of the Corporation.
3. The Treasurer shall manage the funds, pay the annuities, &c. He shall give bonds in such sum as the Corporation from time to time shall judge necessary for the security of the funds, and report at the annual meeting.
4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Corporation, attend to the management of all its business operations, and make a full report of its condition at each annual meeting. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Corporation may from time to time direct.
5. During each Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Ohio, a collection shall be taken up in aid of the funds of the Corporation.



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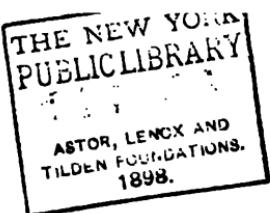
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## LIST OF PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

AKRON, St. Paul's.  
 ASHTABU A. t Peter's  
 BE LEVE, St. au 'n.  
 BERK HIRE, Grace.  
 BO RIMAN, St James'.  
 CANFIELD, St Stephen's.  
 CENTERVILLE, St. David's.  
 CHIL COTHE, St. Paul's.  
 CINCINNATI, Christ.  
 CINCINNATI, St John's.  
 CINCINNATI, St Paul's.  
 CINCINNATI, Trin ty.  
 CIR LFVILLE, St. Ph lip'.  
 CLEVELAND, Grace.  
 CLEVELAND, St John's.  
 CLEVELAND, St. Paul's.  
 CLEVELAND, Trinity.  
 CL FTON, Calv ary.  
 CLINTON, Christ.  
 COL Mbia, St Luke's.  
 COLUMBUS, St Paul's.  
 COLUMBUS, Trin ty.  
 CROSS CREEK, St James'.  
 CUYAH GA FALL', St. John's.  
 DAYTON, Cbr st.  
 DEFIANCE, Grace.  
 DELAWARE, St. Peter's.  
 DRES DEN, Zion.  
 EAST LIVERINGOL, St. Stephen's.  
 EAST PLYMOUTH, St. Matthew's.  
 EA T PRINGFIELD, St. John's.  
 ELYRIA, St. Andrew's.  
 EUCLID, St. Paul's.  
 FRANKLIN, Christ.  
 FREMONT, St. Paul's.  
 GAMBIER, Harcourt.  
 GRAFTON, St. Stephen's.  
 GRANVILLE, St. Luke's.  
 GREENVILLE, St. Paul's.  
 HAMILTON, St. Matthew's.  
 HART GROVE, St. Paul's.  
 HILLSBORO', St. Mary's.  
 HUDSON, Christ.  
 HURON, Christ.  
 IRONTON, Christ.  
 JEFFERSON, Trinity.

KING STON, St James'.  
 LANCA TER, St. John s.  
 LYME, Trin ty.  
 MADISON, St Matthew's.  
 MANSFIELD, Grace.  
 MARIETTA, St. Luke's.  
 MARION, St. Paul s.  
 MASSILLON, St. Timothy's.  
 MAUMEE CITY, St. Paul's.  
 MEDINA, St Paul's.  
 MILAN, St. Luke s.  
 MILL CREEK, St. Mark's.  
 NAPOLEON, St. John's.  
 MT. VERNON, St. Paul s.  
 NEWARK, Trinity.  
 NEWTON FALLS, St. Mark's.  
 NORWALK, St. Paul's.  
 OBERLIN, Christ.  
 PAINESVILLE, St. James'.  
 PENFIELD, Christ.  
 PENINSULA, Bethel.  
 PERRY, St. M thew's.  
 PIQUA, St. James'.  
 POMEROY, Grace.  
 PORTSMOUTH, All Saints'.  
 ROME, St. Peter's.  
 SANDUSKY, Grace.  
 SPR NGFIELD, Christ.  
 ST. CLAIRSVILLE, St. Thomas'.  
 STEUBENVILLE, St. Paul's.  
 ST. ONGSVILLE, St. Philip's.  
 TIFFIN, Trinity.  
 TOLEDO, Trinity.  
 TROY, Trinity.  
 UNIONVILLE, St. Michael's.  
 URBANA, Epiphany.  
 WAKEMAN, St. John's.  
 WALNUT HILLS, Advent.  
 WARRF N, Christ.  
 WINDSOR, Christ.  
 WOOSTER, St. James'.  
 WORTHINGTON, St. John's.  
 XENIA, Christ.  
 YELLOW SPRINGS, Christ.  
 ZANESVILLE, St. James'.

## LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO, JUNE, 1866.

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- The Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE, D.D., D.C.L.,**  
Bishop of the Diocese, residing near Cincinnati.
- The Rev. NORMAN BADGER,** Principal of a Select School at Gambier, and Missionary.
- The Rev. DARIUS BARKER,** Rector of St. Paul's Church, Maumee, and Missionary at Napoleon and Defiance.
- The Rev. EDWARD C. BENSON,\*** Deacon, Principal of Harcourt Place Academy, Gambier.
- The Rev. HENRY BLACKALLER,** Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.
- The Rev. ALFRED BLAKE, B.D.,** Rector of Harcourt Place Academy, Gambier, and of St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek.
- The Rev. JAMES A. BOLLES, D.D.,** Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.
- The Rev. JOHN BOYD,** Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.
- The Rev. JOHNSON A. BRAYTON,\*†** Principal of a Select Classical School at Painesville.
- The Rev. SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, D.D.,** Rector of Grace Church, Sandusky.
- The Rev. JOHN T. BROOKE, D.D.,** Rector of Christ Church, Springfield.
- The Rev. JOHN L. BRYAN,** residing at Granville.
- The Rev. ERASTUS BURR, D.D.,** Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.
- The Rev. LEWIS BURTON,** Rector of St. John's Church, Cleveland.
- The Rev. CLEMENT M. BUTLER, D.D.,** Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.
- The Rev. LAWSON CARTER,** Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland.

\* Not entitled to seats by Const. Art. IV.

† Not present in this Convention.

- The Rev. R. BETHELL CLAXTON, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.
- The Rev. J. W. CLAXTON, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.
- The Rev. WILLIAM H. COOPER, Rector of Trinity Church, Tiffin.
- The Rev. THOMAS CORLETT, Missionary in Cleveland and Euclid.
- The Rev. EDWARD H. CUMMING,† Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.
- The Rev. GEORGE S. DAVIS, Rector of Trinity Church, Lyme, and officiating at Monroeville.
- The Rev. COLUMBUS S. DOOLITTELL, Rector of St. James' Church, Boardman, and St. Stephen's Church, Canfield, and Missionary.
- The Rev. GEO. WASHINGTON DU BOIS,\*† residing near Zanesville.
- The Rev. JOSHUA T. EATON,\*† Missionary, residing at Painesville.
- The Rev. ABRAHAM EDWARDS,† Rector of St. David's Church, Centerville.
- The Rev. THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson.
- The Rev. CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua.
- The Rev. LYMAN N. FREEMAN, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.
- The Rev. WILLIAM C. FRENCH, Rector of Christ Church, Ironton, Missionary, and Secretary of the Convention.
- The Rev. FRANCIS GRANGER, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Elyria, and Missionary at Penfield and Oberlin.
- The Rev. WILLIAM GRANVILLE,\*† residing at Medina.
- The Rev. RICHARD GRAY, City Missionary in Cincinnati.
- The Rev. P. H. GREENLEAF, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.
- The Rev. JOHN HALL,† Rector of St. Peter's Church, Rome.
- The Rev. H. T. HEISTER.\*†
- The Rev. JOHN HOCHULY, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Strongsville, and St. Luke's Church, Columbia, and Missionary.
- The Rev. HUMPHREY HOLLIS, Rector of Bethel Church, Peninsula, and Christ Church, Franklin Mills, and Missionary.
- The Rev. LEVI L. HOLDEN, Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.
- The Rev. EZRA B. KELLOGG, officiating at St. Luke's Church, Granville.
- The Rev. EDWARD H. KENNEDY,\*† Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina.

- The Rev. JAMES A. M. LA TOURRETTE,\* Rector of St. Paul's Church, Columbus.**
- The Rev. CHARLES F. LEWIS,\*† Principal of a Female Seminary in Hamilton.**
- The Rev. WILLIAM F. LLOYD, Rector of Calvary Church, Clifton.**
- The Rev. EDWARD MAGEE,† Missionary in Cincinnati.**
- The Rev. BENJAMIN K. MALTBY,\*† residing at Cleveland.**
- The Rev. SAMUEL MARKS, Rector of Christ Church, Huron, and Missionary.**
- The Rev. JAMES McELROY, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.**
- The Rev. ALBERT T. McMURPHEY, Rector of Zion Church, Dresden, and St. Matthew's Church, Madison.**
- The Rev. EDWARD MEYER, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Akron.**
- The Rev. HENRY H. MORRELL, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.**
- The Rev. INTREPID MORSE,† Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.**
- The Rev. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D.D.\*†**
- The Rev. RODOLPHUS K. NASH, Rector of St. James' Church, Wooster, and Missionary.**
- The Rev. PETER NEFF, JR.,\*† residing in Cincinnati.**
- The Rev. WILLIAM R. NICHOLSON, Rector of St. John's Church, Cincinnati.**
- The Rev. HENRY PAYNE, Rector of Grace Church, Berkshire.**
- The Rev. GIDEON B. PERRY, D.D., LL.D., Associate Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland.**
- The Rev. ALANSON PHELPS, Rector of St. James' Church, Painesville.**
- The Rev. CHARLES PURVIANCE,\*† Deacon.**
- The Rev. WILLIAM B. RALLY, City Missionary, officiating in Trinity Church, Cincinnati.**
- The Rev. CHARLES REYNOLDS, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.**
- The Rev. DANIEL RISER, Rector of St. John's Church, Lancaster, and St. Philip's Church, Circleville, and Missionary.**
- The Rev. CHANDLER ROBBINS,† Assistant Minister of Christ Ch'h, Springfield, and Principal of a Select Classical School.**
- The Rev. HENRY FLOY ROBERTS, Rector of St. John's Church, Worthington, and Christ Church, Clinton.**
- The Rev. JOSEPH E. RYAN, Rector of Christ Church, Warren, and Missionary.**
- The Rev. ALVAH SANFORD,\*† residing at Granville.**

- The Rev. NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, Rector of Harcourt Parish, Gambier.
- The Rev. THOMAS M. SMITH, D.D., Milnor Professor of Divinity in the Theological Seminary of the Diocese, Gambier.
- The Rev. E. A. STRONG, Agent of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, Gambier.
- The Rev. GEORGE B. STURGES, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Marion, and Missionary.
- The Rev. J. RICE TAYLOR,\* Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon.
- The Rev. SPENCER WALL.\*†
- The Rev. HENRY B. WALBRIDGE,† Rector of Trinity Church, Toledo.
- The Rev. GEORGE WATSON, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.
- The Rev. HOMER WHEELER, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.
- The Rev. ABRAHAM WHEELER,† residing at Grafton.
- The Rev. M. T. C. WING, D.D., Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theological Seminary at Gambier.
- The Rev. EDWARD WINTHROP,\*† Principal of a Ladies' Academy, Norwalk.

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| Whole number canonically resident,                                 | 79 |
| Number entitled to seats in this Convention,                       | 62 |
| Number present,                                                    | 57 |
| Present and entitled to seats,                                     | 54 |
| Received from other Dioceses during the year,                      | 10 |
| Removed to other Dioceses during the year,                         | 3  |
| Engaged exclusively in the work of education,                      | 9  |
| From age or other causes not occupied in the work of the ministry, | 16 |

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TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE,  
THOMAS G. ODIORNE,  
No. 43 WALNUT STREET, CINCINNATI.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION,  
REV. WILLIAM C. FRENCH,  
IRONTON.

## RULES OF ORDER.

### I.

The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.

### II.

When the President takes the chair no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up except to address the Chair

### III.

After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.

### IV.

No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

### V.

At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present—if not, some other person appointed by the Chair, shall call the names of the clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the parishes entitled to representation; and the Lay Delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table, after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

### VI.

The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint—1st. A Committee of Examination, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of membership and certificates of Lay Delegates, and incorporation of Churches, and their admission into union with the Convention. 2d. A Committee on Unfinished Business, to consist of one clergymen and one layman. After the Committee of Examinations has reported the names of the Lay Delegates entitled to seats in the Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees: 1st. A Committee of Finance, to consist of one clergymen and two laymen: to whom shall be referred the Treasurer's report and assessment of the parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. 2d. A Committee on Missions, to consist of four clergymen and four laymen, to whom shall be referred the report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3d. A Committee on Canons, to consist of two clergymen, and two laymen, to whom new Canons and all alterations and amendments of existing Canons shall be referred.

### VII.

When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

### VIII.

No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

### IX.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

### X.

Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

### XI.

A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

### XII.

No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

### XIII.

When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

### XIV.

All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

### XV.

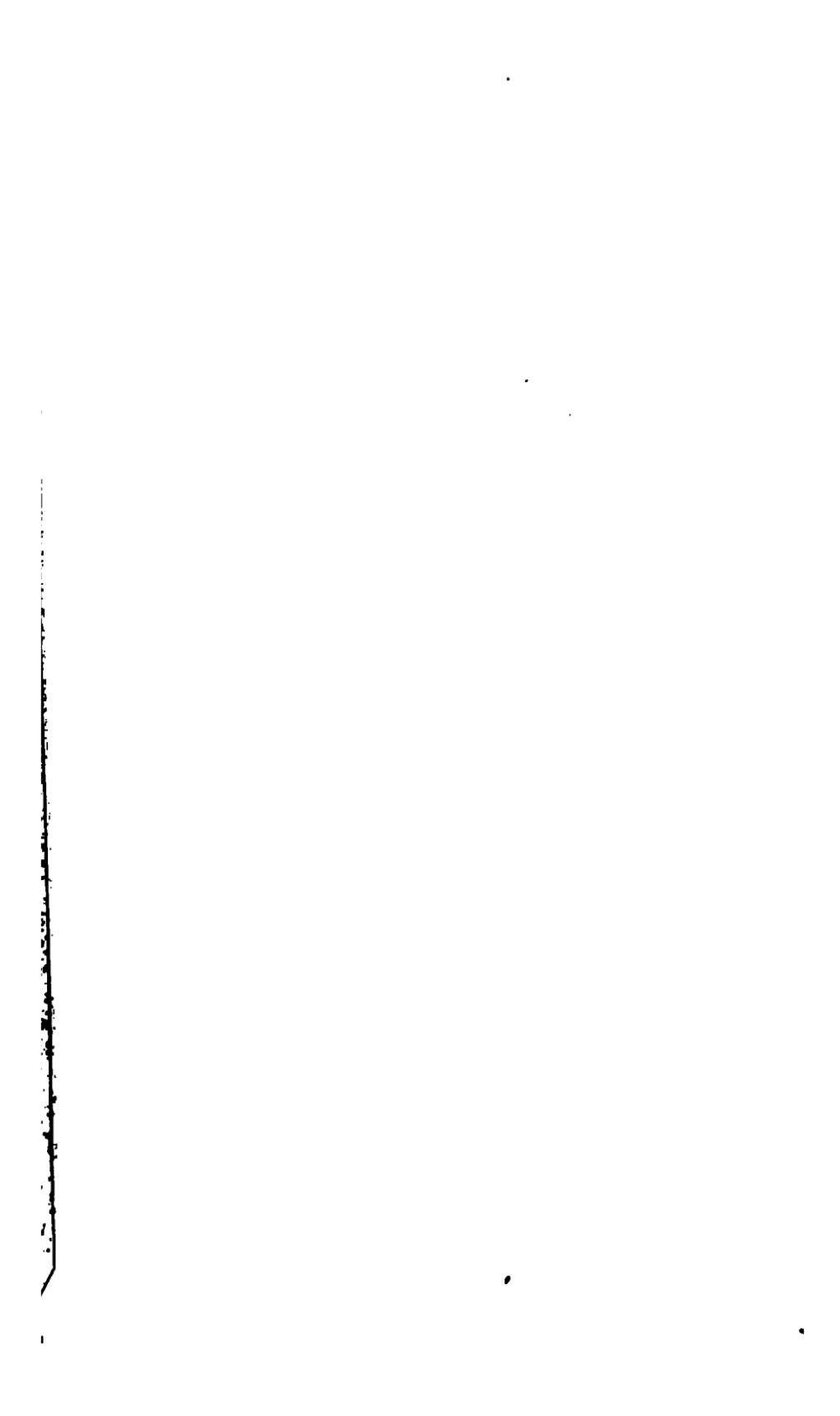
When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

### XVI.

Clergymen belonging to the Diocese but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and candidates for holy orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention, and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

### XVII.

The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, unless altered or rescinded, and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.



## JOURNAL.

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RROSSE CHAPEL, GAMBIER, }  
Thursday, June 5, A. D. 1856. }

THIS being the time and place appointed for holding the Thirty-Ninth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, a number of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled, with the Bishop, as above, at 10 o'clock, a. m.

Morning Prayer was read, as far as the Creed, by the Rev. T. B. Fairchild, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson, and the remainder by the Rev. Chauncey W. Fitch, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua. The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Wm. R. Nicholson, Rector of St. John's Church, Cincinnati, from II Corinth., v. 14, 15: "*For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if One died for all, then were all dead: and that He died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto Him which died for them, and rose again.*"

After Divine Service, the Convention was called to order by the Bishop.

The Secretary of last Convention being furnished by the Bishop with a list of the Clergy (numbering 62)

entitled to seats in this Convention, under Article IV of the Constitution, proceeded to call their names, when the following were found to be present:

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| Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE, D.D., D.C.L. |                       |                          |
| Rev. N. Badger,                                       | Rev. T. B. Fairchild, | Rev. R. K. Nash,         |
| D. Barker,                                            | C. W. Fitch,          | W. R. Nicholson,         |
| H. Blackaller,                                        | L. N. Freeman,        | H. Payne,                |
| A. Blake,                                             | W. C. French,         | G. B. Perry, D.D., LL.D. |
| J. A. Bolles, D.D.                                    | F. Granger,           | A. Phelps,               |
| J. Boyd,                                              | R. Gray,              | W. B. Rally,             |
| S. A. Bronson, D.D.                                   | J. Hochuly,           | D. Risser,               |
| J. L. Bryan,                                          | H. Hollis,            | H. F. Roberts,           |
| E. Burr, D.D.                                         | L. L. Holden,         | J. E. Ryan,              |
| L. Burton,                                            | E. B. Kellogg,        | N. H. Schenck,           |
| C. M. Butler, D.D.                                    | W. F. Lloyd,          | T. M. Smith, D.D.        |
| L. Carter,                                            | S. Marks,             | E. A. Strong,            |
| R. B. Claxton, D.D.                                   | J. McElroy,           | G. B. Sturges,           |
| J. W. Claxton,                                        | A. T. McMurchey,      | G. Watson, D.D.          |
| W. H. Cooper,                                         | E. Meyer,             | H. Wheeler,              |
| G. S. Davis,                                          | H. H. Morrell,        | M. T. C. Wing, D.D.      |
| C. S. Doolittell,                                     |                       |                          |

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The Convention then proceeded to the election of a Secretary. On motion by Rev. Dr. Burr, balloting was unanimously dispensed with, and the Rev. W. C. FRENCH, the former Secretary, was reelected.

A list of the Parishes in union with the Convention being then read by the Secretary, the certificates of their Lay Delegates were laid on his table, and the Chair appointed the following gentlemen the

*Committee on Credentials*—Rev. T. B. Fairchild, Rev. G. S. Davis, and Mr. Kent Jarvis.

After which, the Convention took a recess till two o'clock, p. m.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention assembled, and after devotional exercises, the Secretary called the roll of the Clergy, and the following, in addition to those present this morning, answered and took their seats:

Rev. P. H. Greenleaf, D.D.

Rev. C. Reynolds.

The Rev. T. B. Fairchild, Chairman of the committee on the Examination of the Credentials of Lay Delegates, reported the following persons entitled to seats as representatives of their respective parishes: \* from

*Akron, St. Paul's*—Frederick Wolcott, J. A. Beebe, P. Bennett.  
*Berkshire, Grace*—J. W. Seymour.

*Canfield, St. Stephen's*—S. C. Lockwood, C. Beardsley, G. I. Young.  
*Centerville, St. David's*—Lewis Hughes, John Edwards.

*Chillicothe, St. Paul's*—J. S. Swearingen, R. H. Lansing, A. Douglas.  
*Cincinnati, Christ*—W. K. Bond, James Hall, Wm. Procter.

*Cincinnati, St. John's*—T. G. Odiorne, E. A. Thompson, D. Macload.  
*Cincinnati, St. Paul's*—S. Wyllys Pomeroy, Henry H. Stout, R.

M. W. Taylor.

*Circleville, St. Philip's*—Joseph Doddridge.

*Cleveland, Grace*—D. E. Field, W. H. Beaumont, Henry G. Perry.  
*Cleveland, St. John's*—S. N. Herrick, Jno. Boyden, G. L. Chapman.

*Cleveland, St. Paul's*—H. B. Tuttle, Aaron Clark, E. T. Sterling.

*Cleveland, Trinity*—P. Anderson, A. Roberts, Douglas Case.

*Columbus, St. Paul's*—Isaac N. Whiting, J. Taylor, H. S. Miller.

*Columbus, Trinity*—John W. Andrews, S. D. Harris, J. R. Swan.

*Cross Creek, St. James'*—A. Cunningham.

*Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's*—G. Parks, B. R. Noble, E. Van Deusen.

*Dayton, Christ*—W. Munger, Richard Lane, Geo. Shoup.

*Delaware, St. Peter's*—Caleb Howard, B. Powers, C. C. Chamberlain.

*Dresden, Zion*—H. Copeland, E. C. Cox, C. Marquand.

*Gambier, Harcourt*—R. S. French, Lorin Andrews, H. D. Lathrop.

*Granville, St. Luke's*—S. N. Sanford, Levi Rose, Freeman Haskell.

\* This list includes all the credentials reported by the committee during the progress of the Convention, except from new parishes.

*Huron, Christ*—J. W. Wickham, S. P. McDonald, T. Jackson.  
*Ironton, Christ*—Geo. W. Jackson, Wm. Mather Bolles.  
*Lyme, Trinity*—John Clarke.  
*Massillon, St. Timothy's*—J. McCullough, Kent Jarvis, F. Focke.  
*Maumee City, St. Paul's*—W. St. Clair, J. N. Westcott, T. W. Wolfinger.  
*Medina, St. Paul's*—R. Thayer, Wm. H. Canfield, Isaac Bronson.  
*Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's*—E. Alling, J. N. Burr, J. W. Russell.  
*Newark, Trinity*—Geo. W. Penny, H. S. Sprague.  
*Norwalk, St. Paul's*—Platt Benedict, S. Patrick.  
*Painesville, St. James'*—D. D. Aiken, Alex. Thompson, H. Sanford.  
*Perry, St. Matthew's*—Matthew Trimble, Benj. Lee, Dr. Cunningham.  
*Piqua, St. James'*—M. G. Mitchell.  
*Portsmouth, All Saints'*—J. M. Shackleford, J. Lodwick, Wm. Hall.  
*Springfield, Christ*—Samuel Houghton, Malcolm Gregory.  
*Steubenville, St. Paul's*—John H. Veirs, M. Andrews, F. A. Wells.  
*Troy, Trinity*—Asa Coleman, John T. McClung.  
*Urbana, Epiphany*—S. H. Robertson, Jas. Moore.  
*Warren, Christ*—Geo. Parsons, Jr., Edward A. Smith.  
*Wooster, St. James'*—E. Foreman, Levi Cox, A. H. Pierson.  
*Worthington, St. John's*—C. E. Burr, M. S. Wilkinson, O. Johnson.  
*Zanesville, St. James'*—E. E. Fillmore, M. M. Granger.

The above report being received, the names of the Lay Delegates reported were then called by the Secretary, when the following gentlemen answered and took their seats as members of the Convention:

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| Messrs. G. I. Young, | C. Marquand,     | J. W. Russell,     |
| W. Procter,          | L. Andrews,      | P. Benedict,       |
| D. E. Field,         | R. S. French,    | S. Patrick,        |
| H. G. Perry,         | H. D. Lathrop,   | A. Thompson,       |
| E. T. Sterling,      | S. N. Sanford,   | M. Trimble,        |
| A. Roberts,          | S. P. McDonald,  | Dr. Cunningham,    |
| J. W. Andrews,       | K. Jarvis,       | J. M. Shackleford, |
| S. D. Harris,        | T. W. Wolfinger, | W. Hall,           |
| W. Munger,           | W. H. Canfield,  | S. Houghton,       |
| R. Lane,             | I. Bronson,      | M. Gregory,        |
| G. W. Shoup,         | E. Alling,       | J. Moore,          |
| C. Howard,           | J. N. Burr,      | E. E. Fillmore.    |
| M. M. Granger.       | A. Cunningham,   |                    |

On motion by Rev. Dr. Burr, the VIth Rule of Order was amended so as to increase the standing committee on Missions to four clergymen and four laymen.

The President announced the appointment of the following standing committees:

*Committee on Unfinished Business*—Rev. Mr. Holden and Mr. S. N. Sanford.

*Committee of Finance*—Rev. Mr. McElroy, and Messrs. C. Howard and W. Procter.

*Committee on Missions*—Rev. Messrs. W. R. Nicholson, C. W. Fitch, L. Burton, and H. Blackaller, and Messrs. H. B. Tuttle, W. H. Canfield, E. Alling and W. Hall.

*Committee on Canons*—Rev. Drs. Burr and Bronson, and Messrs. J. W. Andrews and M. G. Mitchell.

On motion by Rev. Dr. Claxton, the Bishop, in accordance with the resolution on page 66 of the Journal of last Convention, appointed the following

*Committee on the State of the Church*—Rev. Drs. Butler, Claxton, Smith, Bolles, and Rev. Mr. Phelps, and Messrs. J. W. Andrews, J. N. Burr, I. Bronson, L. Andrews, and J. M. Shackleford.

The committee of Examination reported that they had examined the papers relative to the organization of the parishes of Calvary Church, Clifton, and Trinity Church, Tiffin City, and finding them in accordance with the forms in such cases provided, recommended that said parishes be received into union with this Convention. The report of the committee was adopted, and said parishes were so received.

The same committee also reported the following delegates from said parishes, neither of whom was found present:

*Clifton, Calvary*—Robert Buchanan.

*Tiffin City, Trinity*—William Hobbs.

The Convention then listened to the

## Bishop's Annual Address.

DEARLY BELOVED BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE  
DIOCESE OF OHIO:

The gracious Lord, in his kind providence, permits us to meet together at this time, in our Annual Convention, to consult and pray together for the furtherance of his Church and the promotion of his truth. Whatever causes may have prevented the attendance of any of the clergy, we have the happiness of knowing that none that were with us the last year are now absent because no more in this present life. Death has taken none away. Whether we have been cumberers of the ground from unfruitfulness in our stewardship, or whether we have glorified God in our bodies and in our spirits, in the work of our ministry, God has spared us to have more opportunity and a still longer privilege in the service of our blessed Master. It was a remarkable declaration of St. Paul: "I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart and be with Christ, which is far better; nevertheless, to abide in the flesh is more needful for you." Which he should choose he knew not. On one side, his heart was on being with Christ. He had a strong desire to depart, that he might be taken to that glorious presence, the unclouded, unhindered, the immediate communion and vision of Christ. On the other side, while he should remain in the flesh, he could still further be the Lord's instrument in promoting the sanctification of his people and the salvation of souls. It required a high measure of the spirit of Christ, to feel so devoted to usefulness here, as to be at a loss whether he would not prefer, for its sake, to continue in all the labors and sufferings and perils of his ministry in the flesh, rather than to exchange

all for the unspeakable glories of his Master's kingdom. But the secret of the strait — how he was so balanced in his mind between two such alternatives — is all explained, when we hear him uttering that compendious declaration of the whole affection and faith of his heart: "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." Now we see how he could say: "*What I shall choose I wot not.*" A life unto Christ, all for Christ, all for his glory; and a death all gain, the gain of the presence of Christ. Yes, we can understand how St. Paul should be unable to choose between them. Oh! for such a spirit! How it turns all trials into joys, all losses into wealth, and giveth songs in the night. It is the spirit for the minister of Christ, and for all that hope they are his people, to cultivate with all diligence. Dear Brethren, let us strive to be so consecrated to the service of our Lord, in the spirit of our minds, that every desire of our hearts may be unto him, and that every hour and labor of life may be for him. Thus shall we not only desire to depart and be with him, feeling that to die is great gain; but we shall rejoice and count it a great honor and privilege, if at the cost of any trials we are allowed to continue yet some years longer in this work of our ministry, teaching and preaching Jesus Christ.

We have met together, Brethren, at a place, which, for its central and most vital connection with the spiritual interests of the Diocese, ought to be, and I trust is, most interesting and important in your eyes. I confess that it was not according to my judgment that the Convention appointed its present session to be held in this place. I felt uncomfortable, under the thought of laying the burden of the accommodation of so many on a population of housekeepers so limited. But by that population you are most heartily and earnestly welcomed. They are ready most cheerfully and gladly, to do all in their power to make your sojourn among them pleasurable and profitable, and we

must see that nothing on our part shall be wanting to give them the satisfaction of knowing how fully we appreciate their good will and kind hospitality.

You are here at a period of exceeding interest in the welfare of our Diocesan Institutions at this place. After many years of great trial and difficulty, during which our hearts almost failed, it has pleased God to give our College a measure of favor in the eyes of the people, which has increased the number of students beyond anything that I have witnessed before. At the same time, there has been a corresponding increase of those who, at various stages of education, are preparing, chiefly, for the present, as undergraduates, for the work of the ministry. And I believe I have good ground of confidence that they are those who may trust that they are "inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost" to seek that work. This increase of undergraduates we have no reason to believe has reached its maximum. On the contrary, we have reason to believe that, if we are not wanting to the very necessities which this increase creates, it will yet be much enlarged; while there is danger that if we do not come up to the demand which prosperity is now making upon us, we shall forfeit in fact as well as in desert, that very prosperity. It is not my purpose at this time to enter into a detail of the wants of our Diocesan Institutions. You are here in their midst; I invite you to inquire. One want we have not;—we need no means with which to pay debts. But our prosperity has created some wants, and has increased the urgency of others which have always been felt. We need more buildings for the accommodation of undergraduates; more buildings for the various departments of instruction, especially in the experimental sciences; for the sufficient and safe accommodation of libraries, and for the proper maintenance of the daily worship of the College. We need the endowment of more professorships in that

department and in the Theological Seminary. In the theological department we need the finishing of all the rooms in Bexley Hall, and means to erect a separate building for the library, that it may be as much as possible removed from the dangers of conflagration.

It is not intended to seek of the Diocese the means for all these ends. But we call your attention to them, that you may think of them while here, to inquire concerning them, and in the hope that when the trustees shall institute an application to the Diocese for some reasonable part of what is thus needed, you will be prepared in your several congregations and neighborhoods to give it your earnest coöperation. We cannot set too high a value upon what may be expected under God, from these institutions, if vigorously sustained and faithfully administered. The means of usefulness here gathered, and waiting only a reasonable enlargement to make all that is here effectual, under the divine blessing, upon a prayerful and faithful ministration, are a sacred and precious talent, deposited not so much in the hands of the trustees and other officers more immediately entrusted with the management—for they are but agents—but deposited mainly in the hands of this Diocese; and upon the whole Diocese rests the responsibility of seeing that a talent of such value be not buried, or only half improved, for want of the means required for the effective employment of those already possessed. It should be the united determination and pride of our people in this Diocese, to concentrate their influence and aid upon the further growth of what already has cost so much care and anxiety, and is now so hopefully prospered. Where confidence is deserved, let it be cordially manifested. Where the best use is made of the means of usefulness possessed, let more means be given. How honorable would it be to some man of wealth among our people, at once to endow by his own single gift, the needed professorship, and for another to bestow enough

to erect one of our needed buildings; for another to finish our half finished Theological Seminary, and for another to furnish the scientific apparatus required. We have men enough who are able to do it without any too severe a sacrifice; men capable of appreciating the value of the object; men that are expending as largely without any of the return of satisfaction with which such a benefaction would be attended. What better can they do for literature, for the country, for their own State, for their own Church? Such things are done elsewhere. Eastern Colleges have such benefactors—why not the Western? In other States, men of wealth feel it their duty thus to take the Colleges in which they are severally interested under such special patronage, and why should it not be the case in this State? I trust it may please God to put it into the heart of some man or men whom his providence has distinguished by the solemn responsibility of having much property to use for his glory and the good of their fellow creatures, to think of the wants of our College, and seek an investment where interest is not reckoned in money, but in the blessing of Him who loveth a cheerful giver, and in whose bank of faith he that giveth increaseth, and he who withholdeth more than is meet, tendeth to poverty.

But, my Brethren, I must advert to another particular in our present coming together. You are here, at the seat of our Literary and Theological Institutions, at a time of great religious interest among the young men pertaining to them. At the period of our church-year when we commemorate the descent of the Holy Ghost on the first Christian church, and when we are led especially to pray for the like blessing on our own souls and on all the present Christian church, and when God's people were here moved to unwonted earnestness of prayer for that blessing of all blessings upon the means of grace in this place, the promise of the Father came; the power of

the Holy Ghost was received; he who ascended on high and received gifts for men, bestowed of those gifts upon many hearts in this place. Where are such gifts bestowed with such promise to the future spiritual welfare of the Church, as when given for the conversion of young men in our Colleges? Many of you were present in this Church last night, when out of this village community, 58 made their solemn profession in confirmation of having consecrated themselves to Christ, in the hope and trust, after careful instruction and self-examination, that they have been truly converted to God, and changed in heart by the Holy Ghost. The whole number recently admitted to communion is 63. Of those 58, 36 are students here, making the number of communicants in our undergraduate departments 76, and in the College proper 57, the whole number of undergraduates being 118. For these great mercies, the Lord be praised. I beg your most earnest prayers in behalf of those who have thus set out in their weakness, that the grace of God may confirm and establish them unto the end, and carry his work in their hearts until it is made perfect in his own presence and glory.

But my special object in mentioning this blessing in this Address, is to express the earnest hope that our Convention, by whatever is done in its business meetings, by all the conversation of its members, by their earnest spirituality of mind, by the contributions of their secret prayers, by the unanimity of their attendance on our several occasions of prayer, by the simplicity and faithfulness of those who shall be called to minister the word among us, may be God's honored instrument of promoting still further this work of his blessed Spirit, and of carrying the blessing into all the parts of our Diocese to which in a few days we are to return.

My visitations since our last Convention have been as follows: St. Mary's, Hillsborough, on two occasions, confirmed 17; Christ

Church, Warren; St. James', Boardman, confirmed 2; St. Stephen's, Canfield; St. Timothy, Massillon; St. James', Wooster; St. Paul's, Akron; St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, confirmed 1; Bethel, Peninsula; Christ Church, Franklin; Christ Church, Hudson; Christ Church, Penfield; St. Stephen's, Grafton; St. Paul's, Medina, confirmed 4; St. Luke's, Columbia; St. Philip's, Strongsville; Zion, Dresden, confirmed 3; St. Matthew's, Madison; St. John's, Lancaster, confirmed 2; St. Philip's, Circleville; St. Paul's, Chillicothe, confirmed 1; Trinity, Newark, confirmed 1; St. Luke's, Granville, confirmed 12; Trinity, Columbus, confirmed 18; St. John's, Worthington, confirmed 15; St. Peter's, Delaware, confirmed 7; Grace, Berkshire; Trinity, Cincinnati, confirmed 17; St. John's, Cincinnati, confirmed 7; Church of the Advent, Walnut Hills; Christ Church, Dayton, confirmed 12; Trinity, Troy; St. James', Piqua, confirmed 6; Epiphany, Urbana, confirmed 1; Christ Church, Springfield, confirmed 3; St. Paul's, Cincinnati, confirmed 13; Mission Chapel, Cincinnati, confirmed 11; All Saints', Portsmouth, confirmed 14; Christ Church, Ironton, confirmed 7; Trinity, Tiffin, confirmed 5; Trinity, Toledo, confirmed 5; St. John's, Napoleon, confirmed 8; Grace, Defiance, confirmed 2; St. Paul's, Maumee, confirmed 8; St. Paul's, Fremont, confirmed 1; St. Paul's, Bellevue, confirmed 4; Trinity, Lyme, confirmed 3; ——, Monroeville, confirmed 1; St. Luke's, Milan, confirmed 2; Christ Church, Huron, confirmed 5; Grace, Sandusky; St. Paul's, Norwalk, confirmed 2; Christ Church, Oberlin; St. Andrew's, Elyria, confirmed 6; Grace, Cleveland, confirmed 15; St. John's, Cleveland, confirmed 10; St. Paul's, Cleveland, confirmed 14; Trinity, Cleveland, confirmed 20; St. James', Zanesville, confirmed 15; Christ Church, Cincinnati, confirmed 11; St. Paul's, Marion, confirmed 7; Harcourt Parish, Gambier, confirmed 58; St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, confirmed 25. Total of confirmations, 401.

During the year past, I have ordained to the office of Deacon four persons, viz: John Hochuly, Henry H. Morrell, Benj. K. Maltby, Wm. F. Lhoyd; and to the office of Presbyter, the same, with the addition of the Rev. Peter Neff, Jr., and the Rev. J. W. Claxton.

The candidates for orders are twelve, viz: Charles W. Fearn, Peter H. Jeffries, John P. Curran, Warren H. Roberts, Richard L. Chittenden, Moses Hamilton, J. H. C. Bonte, Henry H. Messinger, Cornelius S. Abbot, Benj. T. Noakes, James L. Grover, Chas. G. W. Currie, William Fulton.

Four new parishes have been organized, viz: the Church of the Advent, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati; Calvary Church, Clifton, near Cincinnati; Trinity Church, Tiffin; and Christ Church, Clinton, Franklin county.

Only one new church has been consecrated, viz: St. Mary's, Hillsborough, a beautiful structure, erected by dint of great effort on the part of a new parish and its late Rector.

The following clergymen have been canonically united to the Diocese by letters dimissory, viz: the Rev. J. W. Claxton, from Pennsylvania, who has become the Rector of St. James', Zanesville; the Rev. H. F. Roberts, from New York, who has taken charge of St. John's, Worthington, and a missionary field connected; the Rev. Wm. H. Cooper, from Pennsylvania, who has taken charge of Trinity, Tiffin; the Rev. Charles Purviance, from Missouri, who officiated for a few months at St. Luke's, Milan; the Rev. P. H. Greenleaf, D.D., from Indiana, who has taken charge of St. Paul's, Cincinnati; the Rev. Edward Meyer, from Pennsylvania, who has taken charge of St. Paul's, Akron; the Rev. Edward Kennedy, from Louisiana, who has taken charge of St. Paul's, Medina; the Rev. J. Rice Taylor, from Kentucky, who has taken charge of St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon; the Rev. Joshua T. Eaton, from Western New York, who will take

missionary service in the north-eastern part of the Diocese; and the Rev. James A. M. La Tourrette, from New York, who has taken charge of St. Paul's, Columbus.

The following clergymen have left the Diocese, viz: the Rev. John W. Clark, late Rector of St. Paul's, Cincinnati; the Rev. James Trimble, late Minister of Trinity Church, Troy; and the Rev. Rodney S. Nash, late Rector of St. Philip's, Circleville.

Besides these changes, the following have taken place on the part of clergymen who remain in the Diocese, viz: the Rev. Thomas Corlett has resigned St. Luke's, Granville, and taken St. Paul's, Euclid, with a missionary field attached; the Rev. G. W. DuBois has been compelled by ill health to resign St. James', Zanesville, and is from the same cause unable to officiate for the present,—he continues to reside near Zanesville; the Rev. H. T. Heister has resigned St. Paul's, Fremont, and the parish is vacant; the Rev. Ezra B. Kellogg has removed to Granville, and officiates as Minister of the parish in that place; the Rev. Charles F. Lewis has removed to Hamilton, and is Principal of a Female Seminary there; the Rev. Peter Neff, Jr., has resigned the parishes at Yellow Springs and Xenia, which are now vacant; the Rev. Henry Payne has taken charge of Grace Church, Berkshire; the Rev. Daniel Risser has taken St. Philip's, Circleville, in connection with St. John's, Lancaster; the Rev. John E. Ryan has resigned Grace Church, Berkshire, and taken Christ Church, Warren; the Rev. N. H. Schenck has resigned St. Mary's, Hillsborough, and taken the Rectoryship of Harcourt Parish, Gambier; the Rev. Henry H. Morrell has taken charge of Christ Church, Dayton; the Rev. John Hochuly, of St. Luke's, Columbia, and St. Philip's, Strongsville; the Rev. William F. Lloyd, of Calvary Church, Clifton.

I can hardly express to you how my mind has been cast down, in some of my visitations, from seeing the effect upon our feeble village and country Churches of the present rush of emigration to more Western regions. In some instances, almost the entire dependence of the parish for all those interests which laymen must see to, seemed to have been taken away. The men accustomed and ready to bear responsibility and take the laboring oar, had gone. One Church, accustomed to have its Pastor and the regular services of the Sabbath, has been vacant more than a year from the effects of emigration. Another that has been a self-supporting parish for several years, has been compelled from the same cause to associate itself with a neighboring parish, suffering like itself, in order that both may be partially supplied. I could speak of more. There is consolation in the thought, that what we lose others gain. Valuable families are thus scattered into the newer Dioceses, who will be good leaven where they go; who know the truth and will not be satisfied till they have it preached where their new home shall be chosen. But such changes are sad drawbacks on our growth; great trials to our patient continuance in the effort to build up our Church in permanent strength all over our specially allotted field. But we must be patient and unmovable; trying to abound more and more in the work of the Lord, even where these very discouragements are strongest, knowing that our work of faith, and labor of love, and patience of hope, cannot be in vain in the Lord.

In my address to the last Convention, I took occasion to urge the importance of more attention, on the part of the clergy especially, to the musical part of our worship—that it may be divested of the dull, wearisome, indevout and inconsistent formality of mere orchestra singing, which had so much destroyed its profitableness, and be made as much as possible congregational, by the union of the voices of the

people in the pews, in singing the praises of God. And to this end I urged more simplicity and plainness in the music selected, in order that none of it shall be above the ability of the people generally to learn and unite in it. I have had the pleasure of receiving many thanks from other Dioceses, as well as my own, for having brought the subject as I did before the Church, and many assurances that my own deep feeling of the excessive evil done to our worship by that sort of proxy exhibition music which we have so long submitted to, is largely sympathised with by clergy and laity. I have had also gratifying indications, as I have visited our parishes, of improvement, and of effort at further improvement, in the particulars adverted to. At least, I have found a disposition to gratify me when officially present at the worship, by having the singing on that occasion very simple and very plain, level to the ability of the people to unite their voices in that delightful exercise of devotion. I cannot but think that if my brethren could realize how painfully I am annoyed, how my sense of propriety is offended, and my devotional enjoyment marred, by the introduction of music which only a select and trained few can perform, and which can be, and is intended to be, only a performance; if they could realize how very much of my comfort and pleasure in the worship of their congregations depends on the selection of the plainest, simplest, easiest and most familiar music; how I love to hear the full voiced congregation praising God in the chant and hymn; and how exceedingly I dislike to be interrupted in worship by the unmeaning and wearying interlude of the organ breaking the connection of the verses and the thoughts; and especially to have my mind disturbed, as is too often the case, at the close of worship, after a solemn discourse or confirmation, when all should leave the house of God in quietness, by a burst of loud sound on the organ, which seems as if the design were as much as possible to destroy all

the impression the truth may have made; I say, if my own feelings in these matters were fully appreciated, I am confident that whatever may be allowed on other occasions, the kind regard of my brethren would take pains at my visitations in every case to meet my views and tastes in these respects.

I trust we are all learning to do better in these things. There is improvement among us. But we shall never have them rectified to any permanent extent, as long as organists or choirs imagine they are independent of the control of the Rector, or may disregard his directions as to the music of the congregation. I was much pleased at a recent visitation of one of the chief parishes of the Diocese. There was no organ accompaniment, and consequently no chanting. A lady set the tune, and there was a general participation on the part of the congregation. I enjoyed the simplicity of the service, but it was not the absence of chant or organ that specially pleased me—for these, in due regulation, I much like—but it was the *cause* of the absence of these, and I mention it as a good example. The Rector had been asserting and using his rightful authority to regulate the music of his Church, and especially to introduce congregational singing. He had become sensible of what it is only wonderful that any should not feel, the absurdity—to use no harsher term—of a whole congregation standing and suspending their devotions while the organist indulges himself and exhibits his skill in an unmeaning flourish on his instrument. He took occasion several times to intimate in kind terms to the musician that he desired to be relieved from those inflictions. His pleasure was not attended to. The musician contended that the Rector had nothing to do with such matters. Perhaps his idea was, that if the minister at his end of the Church was at liberty to preach as long as he pleased, the organist at the other end was at liberty to interlude and flourish as long as he

pleased. At length the Rector, not admiring this coördinate Rectorship, signified to the associate authority that his interludes must either be omitted or shortened, I forget which. The consequence was that the organist chose to come no more. He must be supreme in the organ loft or nothing. The Rector was not alarmed by such a loss. He wisely reckoned that an organist was of value in his place; but out of his place, and rebellious, and only a discord where his every touch should be harmony, he was worse than useless. The Rector determined to be satisfied, and his congregation also, till such time as they should find somebody to play the organ who would submit to lawful direction. Certainly, the poorest music that ever a congregation joined in, is better than the best ever heard, if the latter is to be gained only by paying a man to set at defiance the laws of the Church and the proper authority of the parish. I very much approve that example of the Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati, and had great pleasure, under the circumstances, in uniting in the psalm and hymn without organ, the tune set by a lady, and none to help but the congregation, in that large Church.

You will find it necessary, I think, when you come to determine on the time of the next Convention with reference to a permanent provision, to consider not only the week, but the day of the week. You are aware that hitherto we have met under the expectation of completing our business on Saturday evening, and continuing together on Sunday, and then uniting in the enjoyment of the Lord's Supper, and spending the holy day in that communion of soul with one another and our common Lord and Life, which is so sweet to Christian brethren, and so precious to Ministers of the Gospel, who so seldom hear any voice but their own in the preaching of the word, and so seldom are in the position to receive the truth in the congregation unburdened by the responsibility of communicating it. That Sunday, so

spent, has been for these many years the great day of our feast, and the special expectation and reward of those by whose hospitality we have been entertained. *Then* they have been at liberty, if on no other day, to lay aside domestic cares and give themselves to the enjoyment of the means of grace. Till within a short time, the Convention was not so diminished by its members going home, that business of importance could not profitably be transacted to the latest hour of its adjournment. Most gladly would I retain our Conventions in such respects just as they have been. But so great a change has taken place of late, that it becomes a serious question what changes in our arrangements are required to meet it. Our first care must be the business for which we meet. In consequence of the facilities which in a few past years have grown up, of reaching in a few hours the most distant part of the Diocese, we find the last day of our session exhibiting a very diminished Convention, so that it becomes unsatisfactory to transact business of such a nature as needs the expression of the whole representation. And then so many of the clergy have departed before the Sunday, that our last day has lost much of its special interest. Now the question is, shall we go on in our old way, and make the best of the case as it is, or shall we meet one day earlier in the week, with a view of finishing the business so early that all may return to their parishes, if they choose, before Sunday, and none may be prevented, in so doing, from remaining to the termination of the business for which they come? In the latter case, we must change our long usage of having the Lord's Supper on the Sunday, and must have it at the opening of the Convention, or at some time during the progress of the business.

It will be a subject deserving of your consideration, whether, in view of the General Convention which is to sit in a few months, and of the expected Report of the Committee of the House of Bishops on

the Memorial concerning modifications in the exterior adaptation of our Church for its work among men, and the prospect of some action thereon, you will judge it of importance to make some general expression of your sense of the grave importance of such action, whatever it may be, and of your earnest desire that since the question of what is needed has come in such a propitious manner—has been met by the House of Bishops with such respect—has been now these three years before the Church—has been discussed in so many forms and in a spirit so conservative, so with reference to the good of the whole Church, and with so little indication of party bias, and has drawn forth so general a consent that something is needed to make our Church more influential among the population in all its varieties of condition and want; I say, to give utterance to your earnest desire that such an opportunity be not suffered to pass without the adoption of measures calculated to meet a want so generally recognized. A better opportunity for the consideration of such measures will not come, though the object contemplated must some time or other be effected. In all the discussions that have appeared since the Memorial was presented, there has been no appearance of a disposition to touch a single feature in our institutions beyond what may be considered purely circumstantial; such things as were modified, for example, when our Churches, having ceased to be connected with the Established Church of England, and being about to frame an independent ecclesiastical system, found it necessary to make many changes in the order they had been used to, for the purpose of a wise adjustment to their new civil and other relations. It is not wise to suppose that an adjustment then made, under such difficult circumstances, when the case was so new, the elements were so scattered, the confidence so weak, and when the safest plan was to avoid for the present all variation from the order of the parent Church which

change of circumstances had not made imperatively necessary; that such an adjustment, after many years, during which our Church has spread over such a vast expanse of new territory, has come into contact with varieties of human necessity before unencountered, has taken up in practice the whole missionary work at home and abroad, and has had a long and minute experience of the working of her polity at all points, does not need to be overhauled, and very probably to be in several particulars materially changed. The spirit evinced in the discussion of this subject, is proof that rash changes are not likely to be attempted. There may be danger, in such an inordinate fear of rashness, that the counsels of prudence and wisdom may be too little heeded, and that in our loyal zeal to protect our Church from the hand of needless innovation, we may be keeping off the friendly and loving and wise agency that would loosen restraints which confine her usefulness, and would substitute an armor more like that of David than of Saul, for her battle against the powers of darkness. For myself, I look with great interest to the action of our next General Convention on this subject, and have much hope that much good will ensue.

There is one subject which you can hardly pass by. At present, you know that the management of our Diocesan Missions, and the effort to provide for the education of young men for the ministry who need pecuniary aid, are entrusted to one committee. The missionary department is of such importance, and the education branch has so increased in magnitude and responsibility, that the time has come when the interest of each demands a separate committee for its proper and most efficient furtherance. A new canon will be needed, and that one may be provided adequate to the requirements of two such vital objects, will invite your best consideration.

And now in conclusion of an address already extended beyond my expectation, I would address a few words especially to my brethren in the ministry.

I have great reason, my beloved Brethren, as your Bishop, to be thankful for the affectionate, confidential, and, to me, very sustaining personal relations, which I feel to subsist between you and me. I think there has never been a period in our united history when these relations have been to me more sustaining. How very comforting in the burdens and anxieties of my office, is the unreserved facility with which we are capable of uniting in our great and common work, and of putting our minds and hearts together, whenever we meet for its furtherance. I have great reason to be thankful for a body of ministers who have so little to do with the world except to do their Master's work in it, who are so singly given to the great duties of their office, and who preach the Gospel in such simplicity of spirit and such purity of evangelical doctrine. But in my visits among you, it is my lot often to witness your strong temptations to discouragement in your work. There is such a pressure, and excitement, and power of worldliness all about you; it carries away on its flood so many of whom you have a right to expect a decided Christian example against it; it produces such coldness, and torpor, and listlessness among professing Christians; it so tramples down to the hardness of a rock, the soil on which you must sow the seed of the word; in its vast tides are so many insidious delusions, which under specious aspects and names, lead captive the weak, and blight every infant growth of truth in their minds; and there are so many forms of a swelling and boasting and prating and malignant infidelity, that seem to be uniting into an Antichrist as conspicuous in its array against the Gospel, as he who sitteth on the seven hills of Rome; and under all these powers, your ministry seems to you often so unproductive in the conversion

of souls, and the increase of religion in professing Christians, that your hands hang down, your faith is tried, your hearts are troubled.

Most deeply do I sympathise with you, for I know all the trial, and meet it in all its force on my own heart, as I pass up and down, preaching to all sorts of people, and endeavoring always to preach the simplest, plainest, most direct and vital truths of Christ, and in preaching to exercise simple trust in the mighty power of the grace of God to make the truth effectual. Often my heart is much cast down when I am thinking what testimony to declare, and how to make it most effectual; but I seldom fail to get it lifted up as soon as I labor to forget man in every thing but that in himself he is a poor lost sinner, and simply to look unto Jesus, and consider him in his love and grace, the fullness of his salvation and the power of his Spirit.

Allow me, in a few words, Brethren, to endeavor to lead you to a right improvement of such trials.

First, then—Remember that if there be anything peculiar in the trials of the ministry in these days, it is only *in form*. The world has always been essentially the same, the carnal mind always enmity against God, and always has there been no real, rightful encouragement to the minister of the gospel, but as he rested on the promise and power of God, and looked unto Jesus. “The Lord is on our side.” “The Lord bringeth mighty things to pass.” “The word of the Lord endureth forever.” “The kingdom is the Lord’s,” and as sure as the first fruits of the Spirit were reaped on the day of Pentecost, will the glorious promised harvest be gathered in.

Secondly—Look on all trials and discouragements in your ministry

- just as you would look on other trials, such as bereavements, or any forms of affliction, as your afflictive discipline, the aim of which, in regard to you, is to draw you more away from man, from the creature,

from human rests and dependencies, from results which human wisdom and power may of itself accomplish; and to make you, as ministers and Christians, to lean more on God, live more by faith, seek a larger experience of the preciousness of Christ, feel more your own weakness and poverty; that you may seek more of that wealth of soul which Christ only giveth, and may preach and work for Him more under a sense of the constraining power of his love, "and in more sure reliance on the efficacy of his Spirit to make your ministry successful.

Thirdly—Consider how, in view of the discouragements around you, your ministry may be improved. But here let me guard against suggestions and counsels of improvement so called, to which we must not listen. We hear much of the necessity that the ministry, if it would keep pace with the progress of the times, should accommodate itself to their peculiar demands. Very well, if by these demands be meant a more thorough qualification, in learning and devotedness, to preach, and enforce, and vindicate the simple Gospel, as the Apostles preached and by their blood sealed it. But such is not the meaning. The demand is for less Gospel and more of man's wisdom; less Scripture and more philosophy; less religion and more parade of human literature; less aim at the conversion of sinners and more confinement to mere moral disquisition; less about sin, and condemnation, and repentance, and regeneration, and faith, and holiness, of the way of salvation, and the work of Christ, and the sanctification of the Spirit—because these are old things, which the progress of the world has left behind—and more of what is more congenial to a worldly taste, and the pride of man, and the craving appetite of the times for something new.

Brethren, we have nothing to hope for in our mission of love to the souls of men, but as we make progress in getting back into the

old ways, the old methods, the old spirit, the old doctrines, the old world-renouncing and world-overcoming faith of the Apostles, and labor, as they labored, simply "to teach and preach Jesus Christ." The simple Gospel has lost no power by age or use. Now and ever it is the power of God unto salvation. All the happiness and interests of man hang upon its efficacy. Like Moses, at the end of his long ministry in the wilderness, it has waged war with all the powers of darkness these eighteen centuries, and yet is its eye not dim nor its natural strength abated. Let your study be only how to preach its great doctrines and duties more simply, directly, plainly, solemnly, effectually—how to make the sinner feel his need of Christ—how to lead him to the justification prepared for him through faith in Christ—how to set forth the fullness, the freeness, the preciousness, the glory of Christ. The older your teaching the better, if it be only as old as that of the Apostles. Pour into your ministry all the heart, all the earnest zeal, all the fervent spirit, all the love and tenderness, all the importunate, unwearied entreaty, all the diligence, faithfulness, prayerfulness, all the trust in God that you can concentrate upon your great work. Try the efficacy of a more aggressive ministry, one that goes out more, and seeks to multiply its points of contact with sinners. Try to get more of the power of the Spirit upon your work, by seeking more of it in your hearts. Go to your pulpits under the living sense of what you go to preach. Preach the blessed old truths in a spirit fresh from a new sense of their blessedness. Endeavor to realize the presence of the power of your sovereign Lord and Saviour, when you testify in His name and spirit. Try this—never cease to try this. The fruit will come. God will be glorified in you. The rod of our great High Priest still buds and blossoms, and bears fruit abundantly, before the mercy-seat in the

Holy of Holies above, and we are wanting somewhere, if we do not share in its fruitfulness.

May precious dews from the mount of God descend upon us while we are here, and water still more abundantly the vineyard of the Lord in this place, and may the early and the latter rains refresh all the pastures where our flocks are feeding, and turn all our waste places into the garden of the Lord, and hasten the day when all the barren land of this sin-destroyed world shall bring forth fruit abundantly, to the praise and glory of the grace of God, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE.

The Treasurer of the Diocese not having arrived, on motion by Rev. Mr. McElroy, Mr. E. E. Fillmore was elected Treasurer *pro tem.*

On motion by Rev. Dr. Butler, that portion of the Bishop's Address which refers to the Institutions at Gambier, was referred to a select committee of four clergymen and four laymen, and the chair appointed the following:

*Committee on Diocesan Institutions*—Rev. Drs. Butler, Claxton, Watson, and Rev. Mr. Carter, and Messrs. S. Patrick, P. Benedict, S. D. Harris and K. Jarvis.

On motion by Rev. Dr. Claxton, that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the division of the Missionary and Education work of the Diocese, was referred to the committee on Missions.

On motion by Rev. Mr. Schenck, that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to the memorial in the hands of the Commission of Bishops, and also the proposed alterations in the constitution of the General

Church, were referred to a select committee of eight, and the Chair appointed the following :

*Committee on the Memorial, etc.*—Rev. N. H. Schenck, Rev. J. Boyd, Rev. N. Badger, Rev. S. Marks, and Messrs. J. W. Andrews, M. M. Granger, H. B. Tuttle and S. N. Sanford.

The committee on Credentials reported that application had been made to receive the parish of St. John's, Napoleon — that the requisite papers were not before the committee, but their existence and regularity being vouched for by the Bishop and others, said parish was duly received into union with the Convention.

On motion by Rev. Mr. Davis, the election of delegates to the next General Convention was made the order of the day for ten o'clock on Friday.

Rev. Mr. McElroy read the following report of the committee on Erecting a Mural Tablet to the memory of Bishop Chase, which was accepted :

The committee on "Mural Tablet in Rosse Chapel to Bishop Chase," respectfully submit the following as their report:

At the session of the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio held in St. Peter's, Delaware, September, 1853, a report in favor of erecting in Rosse Chapel a Mural Tablet to the memory of Bishop Chase, was made by Rev. Mr. Britton, and adopted by the Convention. There is no published report from the committee for the first year of their appointment. The committee was continued the second year, but nothing was done. The Convention re-constructed the committee at Zanesville, by simply substituting Rev. James McElroy for Rev. Mr. Britton. An informal meeting of the Convention was held at Zanesville during its session there, and it was declared as the sense of those present, that the committee should limit subscriptions for the Tablet to one dollar from each subscriber. It was urged in objection that the influence which the one dollar subscription would create, would defeat the object, by leaving an impression that the Tablet would be a paltry affair. The apprehensions then expressed have been fully realized. Immediately after the session of the Convention at Zanesville, your committee issued an appeal to the Church in the United States, and although the committee expressly mentioned that the Tablet should be one worthy of the Church, and as fully com-

memorative of our respect for the memory of Bishop Chase as such a monument possibly could be, that appeal brought in for the object less than thirty dollars, and from sources that your committee highly respect, they have been brought to the conclusion that the cause of the failure of the appeal, is the universal impression that the friends of Bishop Chase's memory fear that the Tablet would be unworthy of its object. Your committee therefore recommend that the Convention declare by resolution the character of the Tablet which they desire to see erected to the memorable man to whom we are so highly indebted, and authorize the committee to raise the necessary funds in any way which they may deem proper.

JAMES McELROY, }  
ERASTUS BURR, } Committee.

The same gentleman offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

*Resolved*, That the Tablet proposed to be erected to the memory of Bishop Chase in Rosse Chapel, shall be in every respect worthy of his memory, so far as it is possible to make such a monument expressive of the reverence which we all deeply feel for his eminent services for the Church of God.

*Resolved*, That the committee to whom this object has been entrusted, be authorized to raise the necessary means by any measures they may deem proper.

Rev. Mr. Fairchild presented the following report:

The Trustees of the Bethel Church Boston fund, respectfully report the condition of it as follows, viz:

—CR.—

|                      |   |   |   |   |   |            |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|------------|
| By original bequest, | - | - | - | - | - | \$1,500 00 |
| " Interest added,    | - | - | - | - | - | 276 50     |
|                      |   |   |   |   |   | <hr/>      |
| Present fund,        | - | - | - | - | - | \$1,776 50 |
|                      |   |   |   |   |   | <hr/>      |

—DR.—

|                                             |   |          |
|---------------------------------------------|---|----------|
| To paid Rev. H. Hollis, interest collected, | - | \$93 53  |
| " Interest on H. V. Bronson's note unpaid,  |   | 35 20    |
|                                             |   | <hr/>    |
| Present income,                             | - | \$128 73 |
|                                             |   | <hr/>    |

T. B. FAIRCHILD,  
A. A. BREWSTER.

Which was accepted.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet immediately after Divine Service, at half past eight to-morrow morning.

SECOND DAY.

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FRIDAY, JUNE 6TH, 10 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Convention came to order immediately after Divine Service. The rolls were called, and the following additional found present:

Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D.,  
" T. Corlett,

T. McCullough,  
B. Lee,  
D. Case,  
A. Coleman.

The committee on Credentials reported additional delegates.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

The committee on Credentials reported that they had examined the papers relative to the organization of the parishes of Christ Church, Clinton, Franklin county, and the Church of the Advent, Walnut Hills, and finding them correct, recommended that said parishes be received into union with this Convention; which was agreed to.

Rev. Mr. Badger, Secretary of the Missionary and Education committee, presented the following report, which was accepted and referred to the committee on Missions :

The Missionary and Education committee report, that a year ago there was a balance in the treasury of a little over \$1000, nearly all of which had been contributed specifically for educational purposes. Judging by previous collections of the ability and willingness of the church to support her missionaries, the committee went forward and made appropriations as they were needed, and has continued to do so till they have amounted to \$1,950. The number of missionaries for whom appropriations have been made, is eleven, and the number of stations under their charge, sixteen. But the first part of the year

was a period of sore trial to the missionaries, and of great embarrassment to the committee. There was an almost entire absence of funds to meet the appropriations, and the most urgent appeals for aid were necessarily unanswered.

In this condition of their finances, and knowing that a system of quarterly collections and quarterly payments was working admirably in other sections of the church, the committee requested its President, the Bishop of the Diocese, to issue a circular to the parishes, inviting them to send in their contributions quarterly, suggesting the proper time for taking up collections, and setting forth the pressing wants of the laborers already in the field.

The circular was sent out, but the response to it was not favorable to the conclusion that our parishes are willing to enter on a system which works so well elsewhere. The committee, however, still think that something of the kind should be adopted by the Diocese, that the difficulties experienced this year may be avoided in future.

During the last few months, funds have been so liberally paid into the treasury, that all claims on the committee have been liquidated, or the money is ready for those to whom it is due.

The number of young men preparing for the ministry has increased during the year, and 33 are now receiving aid through the committee. The support of 5 formerly connected with the committee has been transferred to the Church Educational Society in Pennsylvania.

The amount appropriated directly to this department of the committee's work, is \$2350, besides some hundreds indirectly granted through the agent to probationers, that is, to persons not sufficiently known to the committee to justify their making appropriations to them as regular beneficiaries. The amount thus granted will appear from the Treasurer's Report.

In the matter of adopting beneficiaries, the committee have felt the importance of taking high ground, and requiring that there shall be not only an absence of all serious charges against the individual, but that he shall possess decided qualifications for the high position to which he aspires. Of the number on probation, the committee after a fair trial declined affording farther assistance to two, and one has voluntarily withdrawn.

The work of education has grown on the committee's hands, and their Agent, the Rev. Mr. Strong, has devoted a large portion of his time to the collecting of funds for the support of young men already engaged in their studies, while, as opportunity offered, he has visited and encouraged others desirous of entering on a similar course.

He has visited 18 parishes, and collected \$778.79 within the Diocese, and has been about six months absent, during which time he has secured for the cause of ministerial education \$3,334.16 in cash, and some \$5000 or \$6000 in pledges, and raised over \$1400 for the College on perpetual scholarships, according to an arrangement made with the College agent, and by means of which some pecuniary advantage was to enure to the committee.

The total amount of funds already secured for the committee

through the exertions of its Agent, is \$4,181.12, and it is believed great reliance can be placed on the pledges obtained.

At one time the funds on hand for all purposes were reduced to about \$30, but by the Report of the Treasurer, it will be perceived that those for both branches of the committee's work have now so increased, that we ought to be encouraged to go steadily forward in the course pursued for the last three years, and to be truly thankful to the great Head of the Church, that he has greatly prospered the work in our portion of his vineyard.

N. BADGER, *Secretary.*

Rev. Mr. Blake, Treasurer of the Missionary and Education committee, read his annual report, which was accepted and referred to the committee on Missions:

**A. BLAKE, Treasurer, in account with the MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION FUNDS of the Diocese of Ohio.**

| 1855-6.                                                  | DR.       |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance, June, 1855.....                                 | \$1083 99 |
| Akron, St. Paul's .....                                  | 6 00      |
| Boardman, St. James'.....                                | 14 00     |
| Canfield, St. Stephen's .....                            | 10 00     |
| Chillicothe, St. Paul's, \$55 20; S. School, \$7 43..... | 63 63     |
| Cincinnati, Christ .....                                 | 1208 00   |
| Cincinnati, St. John's .....                             | 739 51    |
| Circleville, St. Philip's.....                           | 8 00      |
| Cleveland, Grace .....                                   | 25 00     |
| Cleveland, St. John's .....                              | 41 00     |
| Cleveland, St. Paul's.....                               | 67 25     |
| Cleveland, Trinity.....                                  | 124 88    |
| Columbia, St. Luke's.....                                | 1 60      |
| Columbus, Trinity.....                                   | 57 00     |
| Cross Creek, St. James' .....                            | 4 62      |
| Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's.....                          | 65 00     |
| Dayton, Christ.....                                      | 46 00     |
| Delaware, St. Peter's .....                              | 20 00     |
| Dresden, Zion .....                                      | 49 00     |
| Euclid, St. Paul's .....                                 | 3 03      |
| Franklin, Christ .....                                   | 2 25      |
| Gambier, Harcourt .....                                  | 70 00     |
| Granville, St. Luke's.....                               | 5 00      |
| Hudson, Christ .....                                     | 10 00     |
| Huron, Christ .....                                      | 12 00     |
| Ironton, Christ.....                                     | 12 23     |
| Lancaster, St. John's.....                               | 15 00     |
| Lyme, Trinity.....                                       | 15 00     |
| Madison, St. Matthew's.....                              | 10 00     |
| Mansfield, Grace .....                                   | 17 05     |

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|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Marietta, St. Luke's .....                                  | 54 00     |
| Massillon, St. Timothy's, \$79; Female Miss. Society, \$45. | 124 00    |
| Maumee City, St. Paul's.....                                | 3 00      |
| Medina, St. Paul's.....                                     | 20 00     |
| Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's.....                                 | 19 50     |
| Newark, Trinity .....                                       | 20 00     |
| Norwalk, St. Paul's.....                                    | 34 00     |
| Painesville, St. James' .....                               | 22 00     |
| Peninsula, Bethel .....                                     | 2 00      |
| Piqua, St. James' .....                                     | 25 00     |
| Portsmouth, All Saints'.....                                | 190 83    |
| Springfield, Christ, \$33; S. School, \$3 43.....           | 36 43     |
| Steubenville, St. Paul's.....                               | 37 50     |
| Strongsville, St. Philip's.....                             | 1 62      |
| Warren, Christ .....                                        | 10 00     |
| Wooster, St. James'.....                                    | 19 50     |
| Worthington, St. John's .....                               | 16 19     |
| Zanesville, St. James', S. School .....                     | 50 00     |
| Mrs. Waterman, Cleveland.....                               | 5 00      |
| H. D. Lathrop, Gambier .....                                | 5 00      |
| Miss C. Pomeroy, Pomeroy.....                               | 30 00     |
| Grandchildren of Rodney Strong, Cleveland.....              | 10 00     |
| Mrs. Maxwell, Kingston.....                                 | 5 00      |
| Mrs. Boardman, Boardman.....                                | 8 50      |
| Friends in Ashland.....                                     | 4 50      |
| Mrs. Thornton.....                                          | 1 00      |
| H. Lawrence, Madison, Wis.....                              | 50 00     |
| <hr/>                                                       |           |
|                                                             | \$4610 96 |
| Cash per Agent, out of the Diocese.....                     | 3334 16   |
| <hr/>                                                       |           |
|                                                             | \$7945 12 |

| 1855-6.                                   | CONTRA.   | Cr. |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------|-----|
| Paid Missionaries .....                   | \$1994 29 |     |
| Paid Beneficiaries and Probationers ..... | 3396 85   |     |
| Agent's salary .....                      | 750 00    |     |
| Agent's traveling expenses.....           | 210 87    |     |
| Printing, etc.....                        | 85 97     |     |
| Treasurer's expenses.....                 | 10 00     |     |
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|                                           | \$6397 98 |     |
| Balance .....                             | 1547 14   |     |
| <hr/>                                     |           |     |
|                                           | \$7945 12 |     |

Rev. Mr. Phelps proposed the following new Canon, as a substitute for Canon XIV, "Of Missions, and of Ed-

ucation for the Ministry," which was referred to the committee on Canons:

"It shall be the duty of every Minister of this Diocese having charge of a parish, to take up a collection *quarterly* in aid of missions and education within the Diocese, viz: in January, April, July and October, and the Secretary of the Diocesan Board of Missions shall send each clergyman a circular, at least one week before the time of taking up such collection, calling his attention to the subject."

Rev. Dr. Bolles offered the following resolutions on the subject of monthly parochial collections, which were referred to the committee on Missions:

*Resolved*, That in every parish in this Diocese there shall be monthly collections for church objects, to be made regularly on the second or third Sunday of each month.

That it shall be the duty of every clergyman to give due notice of these collections, and to call the attention of their respective congregations to their importance and claims.

That it shall be the duty of the wardens of every parish to forward the proceeds of the collections or contributions to the Treasurer of the Convention, designating for what particular church object the contribution is intended; and if no object be thus specified, then the amount forwarded shall be held subject to appropriation to diocesan objects.

That it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to hold all moneys received by him subject to appropriation by a board for church objects, and to pay them upon order of the board.

That the Bishop and standing committee, as at present empowered, shall constitute the board for church objects in this diocese. They shall apply all moneys specifically intended by the donors to the objects named by them. All other moneys shall be appropriated to such church objects in the diocese, and in such proportion, as they may deem most conducive to the good of the church.

That the Treasurer of the Convention shall also receive contributions for church objects not belonging to this diocese; which contributions shall be applied or appropriated as intended by the donors. And the Treasurer shall report annually to the Convention the amount received and disbursed by him, and his accounts shall be annually audited by the standing committee of the diocese.

That the board for church objects shall report annually a statement of the amount thus raised, the objects to which it has been applied, the churches which have contributed, with the amounts by each, and also the churches which have failed to make and forward their contributions; which report, or an abstract of the same, shall be appended to the Journal.

**On motion,**

*Resolved*, That the committee on Missions have leave to sit during the afternoon session of this Convention.

The order of the day being the election of delegates to the next General Convention, the Convention proceeded to ballot for the same. The following persons were severally nominated:

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| Rev. Dr. Butler, | Messrs. John W. Andrews, |
| Mr. Burton,      | M. G. Mitchell,          |
| Mr. McElroy,     | C. Delano,               |
| Mr. Nicholson,   | E. E. Fillmore,          |
| Dr. Claxton,     | Kent Jarvis,             |
| Mr. Schenck,     | James Hall,              |
| Dr. Brooke,      | E. T. Sterling,          |
| Dr. Burr,        | H. H. Stout,             |
| Dr. Smith,       | A. Buttles,              |
| Mr. Carter,      | L. Andrews.              |
| Mr. Fitch,       |                          |
| Mr. Blackaller.  |                          |

Rev. Drs. Brooke and Burr, and Messrs. E. T. Sterling and L. Andrews, desired their names to be withdrawn.

Rev. Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Henry G. Perry were appointed tellers.

Rev. Mr. Holden, from the committee on Unfinished Business, presented the following:

The committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to report that they find—

On page 17, in the report of the previous committee, etc., a reference to a committee as continued relating to the endowment of the Episcopate fund.

On page 45, a resolution with reference to amending Article II.

On page 46, a committee of three was appointed to report a plan for the Convention to receive and hold such funds as may come into their hands for charitable purposes.

Also, on same page, a reference to the amending of the Constitution, approved and laid over for the action of this Convention.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

L. L. HOLDEN,  
S. N. SANFORD, } Committee.

Which was accepted.

John W. Andrews, from the committee appointed at last Convention to devise a plan by which the Convention may receive and hold charitable funds, presented the following report, which was received, and the powers asked for conferred, and the committee continued:

The committee appointed by the last Convention to inquire and report, (see page 46,) beg leave respectfully to report, that they have had the matter referred to under consideration, and recommend that the subject be referred back to the committee, with power to ask for legislation upon the subject if they shall deem it necessary.

J. W. ANDREWS,  
*in behalf of Committee.*

On motion by Rev. Dr. Claxton, the proposition to amend Article IV of the Constitution, found on page 13 of the Journal of 1854, and again on page 46 of the Journal of 1855, was taken up and adopted unanimously, the two orders voting separately—viz:

*Omitting* the words in the 5th and 6th lines included between the words "learning" and "ministry," and *inserting* after "required."

"Provided, also, that no clergyman who has been a member of this Convention, shall lose his seat therein by reason of age or of bodily infirmities disqualifying him for his previous position."

Rev. Dr. Bolles offered a resolution creating a committee of three laymen, to devise a plan for the immediate endowment of the Episcopate, which was amended, on motion of J. W. Andrews, by the addition of one clergyman, and finally passed in the following form:

*Resolved*, That a committee of one clergyman and three laymen be appointed, to devise a plan for the immediate endowment of the Episcopate of this Diocese; and that the said committee also have power to make arrangements for the increase of the salary of the Bishop, provided the said increase can be accomplished without any addition to the amount of assessment that may be fixed by the Convention; the committee to report at the next Annual Convention.

The Bishop called the Rev. C. W. Fitch to the Chair.

The Chair appointed the following committee on the resolutions of Dr. Bolles :

*Committee on Immediate Endowment of Episcopate*—Rev. Dr. Bolles, Messrs. J. W. Andrews, Kent Jarvis, and W. Procter.

The Convention then took a recess till 2 o'clock, p. m.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

Convention came to order—the Bishop in the Chair, who opened the session with devotional exercises.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The following additional Lay Delegates were present:

Mr. C. C. Chamberlain,                    Mr. Frederic Wolcott.

On motion by Rev. C. W. Fitch,

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to an anonymous donor, for his valued present of a copy of "An Earnest Ministry" to each of the parochial clergymen of this Diocese.

The tellers appointed to collect and count the votes for delegates to the next General Convention, reported by Rev. Mr. Reynolds, the following result:

|                              |    |
|------------------------------|----|
| Whole No. of votes cast..... | 97 |
| Necessary to a choice.....   | 49 |

ELECTED.

| Clergy.                                         | Laity.                  |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Rev. E. Burr, D.D.....                          | John W. Andrews..... 90 |
| " C. M. Butler, D.D....                         | E. E. Fillmore ..... 54 |
| " R. B. Claxton, D.D....                        | Kent Jarvis ..... 74    |
| " W. R. Nicholson.....                          | M. G. Mitchell..... 69  |
| CHAS. REYNOLDS, } Tellers.<br>HENRY G. PERRY, } |                         |

On motion by Rev. Mr. Reynolds, the Convention pro-

ceeded to the election of a standing committee for the Diocese. Balloting was unanimously dispensed with, and the present committee continued, viz :

|                       |                |
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| Rev. W. R. Nicholson, | James Hall,    |
| " Richard Gray,       | D. K. Cady,    |
| " C. M. Butler, D.D., | D. B. Pierson. |

Rev. Mr. Reynolds offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were adopted :

**WHEREAS.** It is the firm conviction of this Convention, that our church could be planted in many parts of this State, where her order and services are now unknown, if it were not for the difficulty and expense of procuring church building lots; and

**WHEREAS.** Most of our parishes are without parsonages and glebes, and are much crippled in usefulness in consequence thereof; therefore,

*Resolved.* That a committee of two laymen be appointed to confer with the Western Church Extension Society, to present the wants and future prospects of our Diocese, and propose to its managers so to enlarge its sphere of operations as to embrace Ohio.

The Chair appointed as said committee Messrs. Isaac N. Whiting and S. N. Sanford.

The Bishop presented the

#### SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

*Of the Charles D. Bett's Library Fund of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio.*

|                                     |   |   |   |                 |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|---|-----------------|
| Balance on hand as per last Report, | - | - | - | \$157 21        |
| Interest since received,            | - | - | - | 100 00          |
| •                                   |   |   |   |                 |
|                                     |   |   |   | <u>\$257 21</u> |

**Paid for—**

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|--------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------|
| Colton's Universal Atlas,                        | - | - | - | \$22 75 |
| Jahn's Hebrew Commonwealth,                      | - | - | - | 1 00    |
| Horne's Introduction to Scriptures, 6 copies,    | - | - | - | 20 40   |
| Bridges' Christian Ministry, 6 copies,           | - | - | - | 5 40    |
| Episcopacy Examined, 6 copies,                   | - | - | - | 1 68    |
| Church of the Redeemed, by Dr. Jarvis, 6 copies, | - | - | - | 9 75    |
| Seymour's Evenings with Romanists,               | - | - | - | 90      |
| Potter on Church Government, 6 copies,           | - | - | - | 9 75    |
| Arnold's Christian Life,                         | - | - | - | 90      |
| Bayne's " " "                                    | - | - | - | 1 10    |

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| Vols. 8 and 9 of Encyclopedia Britannica, - - -                                         | 11 00                 |
| Bibliotheca Sacra, - - - - -                                                            | 3 00                  |
| Error of deficit in previous statement of cost of<br>Encyclopedia Britannica, - - - - - | 3 50                  |
| Grotes' History of Greece, 11 vols., - - - - -                                          | 7 43                  |
| Freight, - - - - -                                                                      | 2 16                  |
| Exchange, - - - - -                                                                     | 37                    |
|                                                                                         | <hr/>                 |
|                                                                                         | \$101 09              |
| Balance on hand, - - - - -                                                              | <hr/> <u>\$156 12</u> |

CHAS. P. McILVAINE,  
*President of Theological Seminary.*

Mr. S. N. Sanford, Agent of the committee on Female Education, presented the following report, which was accepted :

The committee on Female Education respectfully submit this their first annual report.

Circumstances entirely unforeseen, as well as unavoidable, rendered it impracticable for your committee to organize for several months after the adjournment of this Convention, so that fully *half the year* had passed before anything was attempted in accomplishment of the object for which the committee was appointed.

On the 29th of November, at a meeting duly called, in Gambier, J. W. Andrews, Esq., was appointed Treasurer, Rev. James McElroy, Secretary, and S. N. Sanford, Agent. The Agent, from his connection with "Granville Female Seminary," was able only to make such arrangements as would allow him occasionally to devote a few days to the work assigned him. He has visited a few of the parishes, and has received pledges of assistance indefinite in amount, from various individuals, with assurances of lively interest in the work of the committee, from very many who from various causes were at present unable to contribute. Several Rectors, who, from some circumstances, thought it unwise *then* to make application for aid in their parishes, have kindly proposed, at no distant day, to present the subject to their congregations, and take up collections in behalf of the cause of female education.

Beside these pledges of aid, of a somewhat *indefinite* character, but from which much is hoped, there has been received in cash and reliable pledges, as follows:

|                    |                       |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Cash, - - - - -    | \$62 00               |
| Pledges, - - - - - | 75 00                 |
| Total, - - - - -   | <hr/> <u>\$137 00</u> |

|                                                                                                       |                 |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Deduct expenses of the committee and its Agent,<br>including printing circulars, postage, etc., - - - | \$41 74         |
| Appropriation to three young ladies, - - -                                                            | 100 00          |
|                                                                                                       | <u>\$141 74</u> |

Your committee feel that the work entrusted to them is one of vast importance to our church, and one which ought to be vigorously prosecuted. Though but little has as yet been accomplished, it should be remembered that less than six months have elapsed since the work was entered upon for the first time in this Diocese, and yet this short experience is such as warrants the confident expectation of great results, if the work be but steadily and perseveringly carried forward.

S. N. SANFORD, *Agent.*

Rev. Dr. Brooke called for action upon the proposed change in Article II of the Constitution, which was submitted to the Convention two years since. The Chair decided that, from the lapse of time, such action would be unconstitutional, Article XII requiring that the proposition and approval should be made in the last previous Convention.

Various propositions having been made and discussed at great length, as to the place, the month, and the day of the week for holding the next Convention, it was finally

*Resolved*, That the Fortieth Annual Convention of this Diocese be held in St. James' Church, Piqua, on the first Thursday in June, 1857.

The Treasurer of the Diocese made an informal report of his receipts thus far, and

The Convention then took a recess till half past seven o'clock this evening.

SEVEN AND A HALF O'CLOCK, P.

The Convention assembled and engaged in devot exercises.

The calling of the rolls was dispensed with.

Wm. Mather Bolles, lay delegate from Christ Ch Ironton, appeared and took his seat as a member of Convention.

Mr. John W. Andrews, on behalf of a committ the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary Kenyon College, presented the following report accompanying documents, which were accepted, an the present laid on the table, to hear the report of committee appointed by this Convention on the su of the present condition of those Institutions:

The Trustees of the Theological Seminary beg leave to sub the Convention the following report upon the condition of the tutions at Gambier:

An opinion seems to prevail somewhat extensively throug Diocese, that these Institutions are in a highly flourishing com and that for this reason they need no further pecuniary aid. Trustees beg leave to refer to, and to make a part of this repo catalogue of the Theological Seminary just published, and the of the Rev. Dr. Wing, as Treasurer, and also of Rev. Drs. and Wing, and Prof. McEllinney, as to the departments spe under their charge respectively. It will be clearly seen from reports, that these Institutions are in a most flourishing conditio that for this very reason they need a very large amount of sustain them, and to provide for their future growth and effic The expenditures during the current year, ending August 1 probably exceed the regular income by about \$2,400. Of this about \$2000 has arisen from expenditures on objects of pern value, and taxes, and the amount will be reduced by the sum of pledged by individual Trustees, on behalf of themselves and The residue of this deficit should be, as the Trustees think, a provided for.

From an estimate, which is herewith filed, of the probable e ditures of the next year, commencing August 1, the Trustees

the opinion that the excess of expenditures, over income, including those for permanent improvements, will probably be \$4000. They beg leave to call the attention of the Convention to this fact, and ask their aid to enable the Trustees to meet the deficiency.

The Trustees have made arrangements to call upon the friends of Gambier to give us the means of meeting the new claims upon us, by new buildings, additional professorships, etc.

It would seem that our own Diocese should at least take care that any temporary deficiency of means, arising out of the extraordinary growth and prosperity of these Diocesan Institutions, shall be met by contributions at home.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN W. ANDREWS,  
KENT JARVIS,  
E. T. STERLING, } Committee.

\*ESTIMATE OF CURRENT EXPENSES, INCLUDING PERMANENT REPAIRS, AND INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 1, 1857.

INCOME.

*Interest—*

|                                             |   |   |   |   |                   |
|---------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|-------------------|
| Scholarship Fund,                           | - | - | - | - | \$943 00          |
| Land Notes,                                 | - | - | - | - | 1,585 00          |
| Milnor Fund,                                | - | - | - | - | 750 00            |
| Griswold Professorship Fund,                | - | - | - | - | 757 00            |
| Loans,                                      | - | - | - | - | 1,016 00          |
| <i>Rents,</i>                               | - | - | - | - | 560 00            |
| <i>Receipts from Tuition and Room Rent,</i> | - | - | - | - | 3,000 00          |
|                                             |   |   |   |   | <u>\$8,611 00</u> |

EXPENDITURES.

*SALARIES—Kenyon College—*

|                              |   |   |   |   |                 |
|------------------------------|---|---|---|---|-----------------|
| President,                   | - | - | - | - | \$1,500 00      |
| Three Professors, at \$1000, | - | - | - | - | 3,000 00        |
| Assistant Professor,         | - | - | - | - | 800 00          |
| Tutors,                      | - | - | - | - | 1,000 00        |
| Janitor \$200, Bursar \$100, | - | - | - | - | 300 00          |
| Rector,                      | - | - | - | - | 650 00          |
|                              |   |   |   |   | <u>7,250 00</u> |

*SALARIES—In Theological Seminary—*

|                      |   |   |   |   |                 |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|-----------------|
| Two Professors,      | - | - | - | - | 2,000 00        |
| Treasurer and Agent, | - | - | - | - | 1,000 00        |
| Clerk,               | - | - | - | - | 100 00          |
|                      |   |   |   |   | <u>3,100 00</u> |

|                                                         |   |   |   |   |                    |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|--------------------|
| <i>Estimate for Repairs and necessary Improvements,</i> | - | - | - | - | 2,500 00           |
|                                                         |   |   |   |   | <u>\$12,850 00</u> |

|                               |   |   |   |   |          |
|-------------------------------|---|---|---|---|----------|
| <i>Excess of Expenditure,</i> | - | - | - | - | 4,239 00 |
|-------------------------------|---|---|---|---|----------|

M. T. C. WING,  
*Agent and Treasurer.*

\*The Treasurer's Report of Receipts and Expenditures was not received in time to be inserted here.—Sec.

The Professor of Sacred Rhetoric, etc., meets the Theological students in class room daily, at 8 o'clock, a. m. After prayers, he hears recitation of all the classes in Greek Testament. He meets the Senior class twice weekly, for recitation in Ecc. Polity, etc. The Middle once weekly in Hebrew, and the Junior four times weekly, in Hebrew and Christian Antiquities. On Thursday evening of each week, he conducts the Rhetorical exercises.

J. J. McELHINNEY.

The undersigned reports to the Board of Trustees, that during the Seminary year, thus far, he has given instruction to the Senior and Middle classes in Systematic Divinity: to the former four times, and to the latter three times each week. With the same classes he has had, also, one exercise each week in the exegetical study of the Hebrew Scriptures; and with the Middle class, one exercise in the exegetical study of the Epistle to the Hebrews. In the department of Sacred Literature, he has had two recitations each week with the Junior class, one of which has been devoted to the study of Sacred Criticism, Sacred Geography, and the Manners and Customs of the Jews, and the Analysis of the books of the Old and New Testaments; and the others to a critical study of the Epistle to the Romans. The department of Sacred Rhetoric was conducted by him until about the first of March, when it was assumed by the Professor in that department. In connection with this, sometime in the early part of the winter, he proposed to the students to form themselves into an association for extemporaneous preaching. This exercise has been continued by him, at the request of the Professor of Sacred Rhetoric, on Wednesday afternoon of each week, with much interest on the part of the students, and with a measure of success which far exceeded his expectations.

He has, also, on every other Saturday evening, held a meeting with the students for prayer and familiar conversation on subjects connected with progress in the Divine life, and their duties as Christians and candidates for Holy Orders.

THOMAS M. SMITH.

The Professor of Ecclesiastical History reports that in his department he has had the instruction of the Middle and Senior classes for the year, and of the Junior class for a short period before the arrival of Prof. McElhinney. His recitations have been usually twice in each week with each class.

M. T. C. WING.

Rev. Dr. Butler presented the following report of the committee on the State of the Diocesan Institutions at Gambier, which, with the appended resolutions, was unanimously adopted :

The committee to whom that portion of the Bishop's address which

refers to the Diocesan Institutions at Gambier, was referred, find their labor much simplified and abridged by the action of the Board of Trustees of Kenyon College, and the report which they have made to the Convention. By that report, it appears that the deficit in the current year is about \$300, and the deficit in the ensuing year will probably amount to \$3000, exclusive of repairs of permanent value. The report of that committee, and the explanations of the President and Trustees of the Theological Seminary, will furnish the reason and the details of this deficiency, and will show that they are referable to its enlarged prosperity and efficiency. The mode in which they propose to provide for this deficiency, will appear from the resolutions appended to this report.

The committee heartily concur in the representations made by the Bishop, of the urgent and imperative necessity of increasing the endowments of the Institutions in Gambier, under the full and solemn conviction that, if this be not done, their prosperity may prove their ruin. It is with the highest gratification and hopefulness, therefore, that they have learned that the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary have determined upon making a prompt and energetic effort, within and without the Diocese, largely to increase the endowment of the Institutions at Gambier, in order to provide means for new buildings, to endow new professorships, to increase the philosophical apparatus, and to put the whole connected series of educational agencies on such a footing of completeness, efficiency and attractiveness, as to enable them to meet the advanced expectations of the times, and to draw to them increased confidence and support.

The committee, considering that the object to which their attention should be chiefly directed, is that of supplying the deficit of the current year, respectfully submit the following resolutions:

*Resolved.*, That contributions and pledges for supplying this deficiency, be made by the members of this Convention, during their present session.

*Resolved,* That a portion of the present committee be designated by the Convention, whose duty it shall be during the recess of the Convention, to communicate with the wardens of the respective parishes, ~~with~~ view of obtaining from them contributions for supplying the expected deficiency in the income of the ensuing year, as well as the actual deficiency in that of the present.

C. M. BUTLER, *Chairman.*

On motion by Rev. Mr. Fitch, it was resolved that three of the present committee be retained, and continued to do the supplementary work of the committee : Rev. Dr. Claxton, Platt Benedict and S. D. Harris.

Rev. Mr. Nicholson, Chairman of the committee on Missions, read the following report, which was accepted, and referred to the committee on Canons :

The standing committee on Missions beg leave to submit the following:

That, judging from the two reports of the Missionary and Education committee, they think there is now a very favorable state of things as it regards both missions and education within the Diocese; that there is great reason for encouragement in the future, and a loud call to devout thankfulness before God.

The committee unanimously agreed, that it is wholly inexpedient for this Convention to legislate in any way for the purpose of enforcing missionary collections in the different parishes. No canon can be passed, whether as to the times or as to the mode of such collections, which shall be equally applicable to all the parishes; and the result is, that, in many cases, such legislation must needs be disregarded. The legislation on this subject already existing, is, and for a long time has continued to be, a dead letter on the pages of our journals. The committee respectfully recommend, that the Convention refrain from passing any other like canon.

The committee desire to say, that they have not had time sufficient for maturing any plan as to the future conduct of our Diocesan missionary work. They have agreed upon the following recommendations to be presented to the Convention: That, in view of the increased amount of labor now put upon the educational department of the present committee's work, and the increased demand for missionary labor in the present circumstances of the Diocese, there shall be, instead of the committee as at present constituted, two separate committees, to be called the Education committee, and the Missionary committee of the Diocese. That, in order to the appointment of these committees, the committee on Canons be instructed to report a substitute for, or an adequate alteration of, the 14th canon of the Diocese. That, while the Education committee should continue at Gambier, Columbus should be the locality of the Missionary committee. That this new committee shall consist of ten members, composed equally of clergy and laity, any five members constituting a quorum. That this committee be instructed to employ one or more itinerating missionaries, or to make use of any other mode, for the purpose of collecting information from all parts of the Diocese, of raising funds, and awakening a greater missionary spirit. And that, on the basis of such information, and of the experience thus gained, this committee be instructed to present to the next Convention a plan of a permanent missionary organization for the Diocese.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. R. NICHOLSON,  
C. W. FITCH,  
H. BLACKALLER,  
LEWIS BURTON,  
M. G. MITCHELL,  
WM. H. CANFIELD,  
H. B. TUTTLE,  
E. ALLING,

*Committee on Missions.*

During the progress of the session, the following pledges to meet the present and expected deficit in the income of the College and Seminary, were made in open Convention:

FOR THE DEFICIT.

|                                               |           |            |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| C. P. McIlvaine,                              | - - - - - | \$100 00   |
| C. M. Butler, for Christ Church, Cincinnati,  | - - - - - | 500 00     |
| Trinity Church, Columbus,                     | - - - - - | 250 00     |
| M. T. C. Wing,                                | - - - - - | 50 00      |
| Wm. R. Nicholson, for St. John's, Cincinnati, | - - - - - | 200 00     |
| E. E. Fillmore and M. M. Granger,             | - - - - - | 100 00     |
| St. Timothy's, Massillon,                     | - - - - - | 150 00     |
| A. Blake,                                     | - - - - - | 25 00      |
| Rev. Dr. Smith,                               | - - - - - | 25 00      |
| Warren Munger, Esq.,                          | - - - - - | 25 00      |
| E. B. Kellogg,                                | - - - - - | 25 00      |
| Asa Coleman,                                  | - - - - - | 25 00      |
| Wm. H. Canfield,                              | - - - - - | 25 00      |
| Zion Church, Dresden,                         | - - - - - | 100 00     |
| Platt Benedict,                               | - - - - - | 25 00      |
| Rev. Dr. Brooke,                              | - - - - - | 25 00      |
| Harcourt Parish, Gainsbier,                   | - - - - - | 75 00      |
| Lyme Parish,                                  | - - - - - | 10 00      |
| H. Blackaller,                                | - - - - - | 25 00      |
| R. B. Claxton, for St. Paul's, Cleveland,     | - - - - - | 100 00     |
| Richard Lane, Dayton, (paid.)                 | - - - - - | 5 00       |
| E. T. Sterling, Cleveland, (Scholarship.)     | - - - - - | 200 00     |
| Alex. Cunningham, St. James', Cross Creek,    | - - - - - | 15 00      |
| Shepherd Patrick, Norwalk,                    | - - - - - | 25 00      |
| L. Burton, Cleveland,                         | - - - - - | 25 00      |
| H. H. Morrell, Dayton,                        | - - - - - | 25 00      |
| St. Paul's, Cincinnati,                       | - - - - - | 200 00     |
| St. Peter's, Delaware,                        | - - - - - | 160 00     |
|                                               |           | <hr/>      |
|                                               |           | \$2,515 00 |

On motion by Rev. Mr. McElroy, the proposed new Canon XIV was made the order of the day for ten o'clock on Saturday morning.

After uniting in singing the 104th Hymn, the Convention adjourned to meet immediately after Divine Service to-morrow morning.

## THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, JUNE 7TH, 1856.

Convention assembled after Divine Service, and was called to order, in the absence of the Bishop, and at his request, by the Rev. C. W. Fitch, who opened the session with prayer.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

After the reading and approval of the minutes, the Bishop resumed the Chair.

Rev. Mr. Schenck presented the report of the committee on the Memorial and proposed changes in the Constitution of the General Church, which was received, and made the order of the day for two o'clock, p. m.

Rev. Dr. Claxton, on behalf of the committee on the State of the Church, presented the following report, which was adopted:

The committee on the State of the Church respectfully report—  
That they congratulate the Convention, and humbly express their gratitude to the great Head of the Church, that there are in this Diocese at present such marked evidences of growth, both as to that which is outward, and, so far as we can judge, that which belongs to the inward life of the Church.

Foremost among the reasons for thanksgiving, we name the blessing which God has vouchsafed to the parish in which we meet, and to its beloved Rector. The conversion to God of so many young men, revives our hope of a large accession to the now sadly deficient ranks of an active ministry. It is God's work, and to Him be all the glory.

The Institutions at Gambier have a prosperity, as to numbers of students and professors, and as to the favor with which they are looked upon throughout the Church, that calls likewise for our congratulations. We recognize the tact, the diligence, the faith, the devotion, the *adaptedness* of the President of the College as one of the instrumentalities to which, under God, we are largely indebted for this happy state of Kenyon; and we would not overlook the efficient

labors of the Missionary and Educational committee of the Diocese, and of their indefatigable agent, the Rev. E. A. Strong, whereby so large an accession of young men looking forward to the sacred ministry, and so large a provision of the means of support for those who need the aid of the Church, have been secured.

Another token for good is seen in the additions made during the past year to the list of our active parochial clergy, and the diminished number of vacant parishes. Our gain in the number of clergy is 11: last year there were 68, now 79. A year ago more than 33 parishes were vacant, embracing almost one-third the communicants of the Diocese. This year there are, as nearly as we can ascertain, but about 20, and these, at the last report, embracing only about 450 communicants; and several of these are receiving frequent services from neighboring clergymen. Four new parishes have been formed, and all of them, we have reason to think, give prospect of permanence. Since the last General Convention there has been a net gain of 9 parishes; whereas, in the nine preceding years, there had been an increase of but five.

One of the greatest difficulties with which the parishes of Ohio have to contend, arises from the frequent removals from the country to the larger cities, and from city and country to the farther west. The drain upon our *clergy* has been checked; but the drain upon our laity, from this cause, is greater than ever. We have not all the parochial reports, and so cannot give statistics; but when the Journal is published, it will be well to give careful attention to this as the most prominent fact in explaining the slow numerical growth of our churches. The number confirmed during the past three years in this Diocese, is about 1200; and yet, owing to the removal of so many westward, we suppose the actual gain of communicants during that period is less than 500: and this in a Diocese where the general rule of the Rectors is, to admit none to confirmation who are not ready for communion.

In these circumstances we recognize a call to a more extended missionary system than would be required where the population was of a more stable character. We venture also here to express our conviction that there is demanded in our Diocese much more attention to the instruction of the young in Sunday Schools and Bible Classes. We can thus be training up the children of parents of foreign extraction, who, as they come to adult years, will unite themselves to our own Church; and we can also gather out of irreligious families, who never frequent any place of worship, a multitude of little ones, whom the Great Shepherd will place among the lambs of His flock. The catechetical system of our Church, faithfully administered, is admirably adapted not only to the general illumination of the minds of the children, but to the securing of their attachment to our principles. Every parish, however small, vacant or supplied with ministerial services, should have its Sunday School, or Bible and catechetical classes: and to these should be drawn not only

the young members of families of our own communion, but as many as possible of all classes who may be found willing to attend.

Another fact, as exhibited in the parochial reports, and in that of the Missionary and Educational committee, calls for our notice. A very large number of the parishes will be seen to have contributed nothing for missions—foreign, domestic or diocesan. We do not feel it our duty to propose plans for developing the full resources of the Diocese in this particular; nor need we say much on the subject of missions, since the attention of the Convention has been so happily and so largely devoted to this subject; but we would express our earnest hope that every parish, however feeble, will henceforth make its contribution, according to its ability, to this cause. “There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth: and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, and it tendeth to poverty.”

It is pleasant to observe that in two of our largest cities increasing attention is given to the work of city missions. Trinity Church, Cleveland, and Trinity Church, Toledo, are entitled to honorable mention for their incipient movements towards the institution of what will prove important auxiliaries in the work of city missions. The latter has established a “Widows’ and Orphans’ Asylum;” the former a “Home for the Sick and Friendless;” both of which promise to be instruments of great good.

Repairs and improvements have been made in a large number of our church edifices. In one or two parishes parsonages have been provided—a provision which we are sure would minister to the well-being of every parish that has, or that desires, a resident, permanent Rector.

It is pleasant to observe how many new church edifices have been, or are about to be, erected. That at Ironton has been completed under circumstances such as make the whole undertaking an example to new and feeble congregations throughout the Diocese. The year on which we enter will, we trust, witness the consecration of a large number of new edifices.

Amongst the contributions from the parishes, will be found several large sums reported as the payments of church debts, and for the erection of their buildings. Outlays of this character should always be borne in mind while judging of the ability of the parishes to contribute towards other objects of religious benevolence.

We have not as yet enough of the reports to attempt a summary of these contributions. We would, however, express the hope that at the next Convention these documents may be ready for the committee on the first day of the session.

Our position, at this time, stands conspicuously out, as one of hope and of promise. God has graciously brought the Diocese and its institutions through periods of depression and of trial, to this happy day. Our College, our Theological Seminary, our educational work, our missionary operations, all lead us to look thankfully and prayerfully to the coming year, should God spare those who are laboring here for Him, confidently anticipating that He will bless more than

ever the efforts of his servants. There has been a sowing time of anxiety and of toil; we trust that He is about to give us a harvest of abundant fruitfulness.

In conclusion, your committee would respond most heartily to the sentiment of the address of the beloved Bishop of the Diocese, in regard to the confidence, and affection, and unanimity that characterize the relations of the clergy (and, we might add, the laity,) of this Diocese, to each other and to him whom God has set over us as, under Christ, our chief shepherd. To our Bishop we offer our affectionate congratulations; and for him, amidst his many labors, and anxieties, and responsibilities, we address most earnestly to Almighty God our glad thanksgiving and our most sincere prayers.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. M. BUTLER,  
R. BETHELL CLAXTON,  
THOMAS M. SMITH,  
A. PHELPS,  
JOHN W. ANDREWS,  
I. BRONSON,

*Committee on the State of the Church.*

Rev. Mr. Gray tendered his resignation as a member of the Standing Committee, which was accepted, and the Rev. Dr. Greenleaf elected in his stead, the ballot being unanimously dispensed with.

Rev. Dr. Burr, Chairman of the committee on Canons, reported the following amendments of Canon XIV: "*Of Missions, and of Education for the Ministry.*"

SECTS. 1, 2, and 7, unchanged.

SECT. 3. There shall be elected by ballot, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and nine other members—five clerical and four lay—to be called the Missionary Committee; to whom shall be committed the appointment of missionaries and their stations, and the collection and appropriation of funds for missionary objects, and the general care and management of the missionary interests of the Diocese. And also a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and eight other members—four clerical and four lay—to whom shall be committed the appointment and regulation of beneficiaries, the collection and appropriation of funds therefor, and all other business belonging thereto.

SECT. 4. It shall be the privilege of the contributors to the Missionary or Education cause, to designate the particular object to which their contributions shall be applied. If no such designation be made, the contribution shall be at the disposal of the Committee to which the fund has been contributed.

SECT. 5. The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of these Committees, when he is present; if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

SECT. 6. These Committees shall each meet annually, at the place, and on the first day, of the Annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournments, or on the call of two members; five attending members of the Missionary and four of the Education committees shall be a quorum, and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

SECT. 8. At every annual meeting of these Committees, the Secretaries of the same shall, respectively, submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated; which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

SECT. 9. These Committees shall each appoint a Secretary and Treasurer. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention may be supplied by the Committee. No money shall be applied by the Treasurer but by order of the Committee.

SECT. 10. It shall be the duty of the above named Committees to provide for a public meeting, to be held during the annual session of the Convention of the Diocese, for the purpose of promoting the objects for which they have been constituted.

Each section of said proposed amended Canon, was unanimously adopted separately, and also the entire Canon as a whole.

On motion by Rev. Dr. Brooke,

*Resolved*, That \$40 be appropriated to each clerical deputy in attendance upon the next general Convention, and that the committee on Finance be instructed to increase the assessment on the Contingent Fund for that purpose.

On motion by Rev. Mr. Badger,

*Resolved*, That the committee on Canons be instructed to report such an amendment to the Constitution of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio, that one-third of the members of the Board of Trustees shall be elected annually.

On motion, the Chair appointed the following persons a

*Committee to nominate Missionary and Education Committees* — Rev. Messrs. Fitch and Schenck, and S. W. Pomeroy.

On motion by Rev. Mr. Schenck,

*Resolved*, That the Diocesan Missionary Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of employing their itinerant missionaries, from time to time, as assistants to those of the more experienced clergy, who themselves may be willing to engage in practical missionary work.

Rev. Mr. Kellogg offered the following preamble and resolution, which were unanimously adopted :

WHEREAS it is desirable, for purposes of spiritual improvement and the considerate relief of the clergy, that as many delegates of this Convention as conveniently can, remain after adjournment, to attend the religious services on Sunday ; therefore,

*Resolved*, That it be earnestly recommended to the members of this Convention, that they remain over on the Sunday after Convention.

Adjourned to two o'clock, p. m.

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Two o'clock, p. m.

The Convention assembled, and united with the Bishop in singing and prayers.

The Rev. Mr. McElroy, Chairman of the committee on Finance, presented the following report, which was accepted, and the scale of assessments proposed adopted :

The Finance committee have discharged the duties assigned them, and beg leave to report :

In making an assessment for the ensuing year, your committee were called upon to make a provision for an additional assessment, to meet the expenses attending the approaching General Convention, namely, the tax of the General Convention of one dollar and fifty cents, for every clergyman in the Diocese, to pay the expenses of printing the Journal of the General Convention, etc., for 1856, and one hundred and sixty dollars, towards defraying the expenses of the clerical delegates, ordered by a unanimous resolution of the present Convention. This amounts to a little over fifty per cent. upon the assessment for the ordinary expenses of our own Convention. Your committee have limited the addition to fifty per cent. upon the ordinary assessment, in hopes that the arrearages, (which they trust will be paid,) will meet the deficit. Your committee have examined the Treasurer's report, and find it correct and accompanied with proper

vouchers. There is a balance on hand, your committee are happy to add, of five hundred and thirty-four dollars and seventy-six cents, to the credit of the Episcopate Fund.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES McELROY.  
CALEB HOWARD,  
WILLIAM PROCTER, } Committee.

**ASSESSMENTS FOR 1856-57.**

| NAMES OF PARISHES.                 | Episcopate<br>Fund. | Conting't<br>Fund. |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Akron, St. Paul's.....             | \$15 00             | \$9 00             |
| Ashtabula, St. Peter's.....        | 25 00               | 9 00               |
| Bellevue, St. Paul's.....          | 10 00               | 3 00               |
| Berkshire, Grace.....              | 10 00               | 3 00               |
| Boardman, St. James'.....          | 10 00               | 3 00               |
| Canfield, St. Stephen's.....       | 8 00                | 3 00               |
| Chillicothe, St. Paul's.....       | 65 00               | 15 00              |
| Cincinnati, Christ.....            | 260 00              | 77 50              |
| Cincinnati, St. John's.....        | 190 00              | 45 00              |
| Cincinnati, St. Paul's.....        | 190 00              | 45 00              |
| Cincinnati, Trinity.....           | 5 00                | 1 50               |
| Circleville, St. Philip's .....    | 35 00               | 15 00              |
| Cleveland, Grace.....              | 40 00               | 15 00              |
| Cleveland, St. John's.....         | 40 00               | 15 00              |
| Cleveland, St. Paul's.....         | 100 00              | 22 50              |
| Cleveland, Trinity.....            | 110 00              | 22 50              |
| Clifton, Calvary.....              | 10 00               | 7 50               |
| Clinton, Christ.....               | 2 00                | 1 50               |
| Columbus, St. Luke's.....          | 2 00                | 1 50               |
| Columbus, St. Paul's .....         | 12 00               | 9 00               |
| Columbus, Trinity.....             | 110 00              | 37 50              |
| Cross Creek, St. James' .....      | 8 00                | 7 50               |
| Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's.....    | 25 00               | 7 50               |
| Dayton, Christ .....               | 70 00               | 15 00              |
| Defiance, Grace.....               | 2 00                | 1 50               |
| Delaware, St. Peter's.....         | 55 00               | 16 50              |
| Dresden, Zion .....                | 15 00               | 7 50               |
| East Liverpool, St. Stephen's..... | 1 00                | 1 50               |
| East Plymouth, St. Matthew's ..... | 3 00                | 3 00               |
| East Springfield, St. John's.....  | 8 00                | 3 00               |
| Elyria, St. Andrew's.....          | 5 00                | 3 00               |
| Euclid, St. Paul's.....            | 6 00                | 1 50               |
| Franklin, Christ.....              | 5 00                | 1 50               |
| Fremont, St. Paul's.....           | 8 00                | 3 00               |
| Gambier, Harcourt .....            | 100 00              | 24 00              |
| Grafton, St. Stephen's.....        | 3 00                | 3 00               |
| Granville, St. Luke's.....         | 15 00               | 7 50               |
| Greenville, St. Paul's .....       | 2 00                | 3 00               |
| Hartsgrove, St. Paul's.....        | 1 00                | 1 50               |

## ASSESSMENTS—CONTINUED.

| NAME OF PARISHES.                    | Fiscopate Fund. | Conting't Fund. |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Hillsboro', St. Mary's . . . . .     | 12 00           | 4 50            |
| Hudson, Christ . . . . .             | 20 00           | 9 00            |
| Huron, Christ . . . . .              | 4 00            | 3 00            |
| Ironton, Christ . . . . .            | 3 00            | 3 00            |
| Jefferson, Trinity . . . . .         | 5 00            | 1 50            |
| Kingston, St. James' . . . . .       | 4 00            | 1 50            |
| Lancaster, St. John's . . . . .      | 15 00           | 7 50            |
| Lyme, Trinity . . . . .              | 8 00            | 3 00            |
| Madison, St. Matthew's . . . . .     | 8 00            | 3 00            |
| Mansfield, Grace . . . . .           | 15 00           | 7 50            |
| Marietta, St. Luke's . . . . .       | 15 00           | 9 00            |
| Marion, St. Paul's . . . . .         | 8 00            | 3 00            |
| Massillon, St. Timothy's . . . . .   | 50 00           | 18 00           |
| Maumee City, St. Paul's . . . . .    | 5 00            | 3 00            |
| Medina, St. Paul's . . . . .         | 30 00           | 7 50            |
| Milan, St. Luke's . . . . .          | 6 00            | 3 00            |
| Mill Creek, St. Mark's . . . . .     | 5 00            | 3 00            |
| Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's . . . . .     | 80 00           | 18 00           |
| Napoleon, St. John's . . . . .       | 2 00            | 1 00            |
| Newark, Trinity . . . . .            | 33 00           | 13 50           |
| Norwalk, St. Paul's . . . . .        | 32 00           | 12 00           |
| Oberlin, Christ . . . . .            | 5 00            | 3 00            |
| Painesville, St. James' . . . . .    | 15 00           | 9 00            |
| Penfield, Christ . . . . .           | 2 00            | 1 50            |
| Peninsula, Bethel . . . . .          | 3 00            | 1 50            |
| Perry, St. Matthew's . . . . .       | 4 00            | 3 00            |
| Piqua, St. James' . . . . .          | 60 00           | 18 00           |
| Pomeroy, Grace . . . . .             | 15 00           | 7 50            |
| Portsmouth, All Saints' . . . . .    | 80 00           | 18 00           |
| Rome, St. Peter's . . . . .          | 1 00            | 1 50            |
| Sandusky, Grace . . . . .            | 75 00           | 16 50           |
| Springfield, Christ . . . . .        | 20 00           | 7 50            |
| Steubenville, St. Paul's . . . . .   | 65 00           | 18 00           |
| Strongsville, St. Philip's . . . . . | 2 00            | 1 50            |
| Tiffin City, Trinity . . . . .       | 3 00            | 3 00            |
| Toledo, Trinity . . . . .            | 55 00           | 15 00           |
| Troy, Trinity . . . . .              | 10 00           | 3 00            |
| Unionville, St. Michael's . . . . .  | 1 00            | 1 50            |
| Urbana, Epiphany . . . . .           | 8 00            | 3 00            |
| Wakeman, St. John's . . . . .        | 2 00            | 1 50            |
| Warren, Christ . . . . .             | 12 00           | 4 50            |
| Windsor, Christ . . . . .            | 2 00            | 1 50            |
| Wooster, St. James' . . . . .        | 8 00            | 3 00            |
| Walnut Hills, Advent . . . . .       | 8 00            | 3 00            |
| Worthington, St. John's . . . . .    | 10 00           | 4 50            |
| Zanesville, St. James' . . . . .     | 100 00          | 21 00           |

Rev. Mr. McElroy also presented and read the following report of the Treasurer of the Diocese, which was accepted:

TREASURER'S ACCOUNT WITH THE PARISHES.

| NAME OF PARISH.               | EPISCOPATE FUND. |          | CONTINGENT FUND. |          |
|-------------------------------|------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
|                               | Amount paid.     | Arrears. | Amount paid.     | Arrears. |
| Akron, St. Paul's .....       | \$30 00          |          | \$11 00          |          |
| Ashtabula, St. Peter's....    | 25 00            |          | 6 00             |          |
| Belle Vue, St. Paul's.....    | 10 00            |          | 2 00             |          |
| Berkshire, Grace.....         | 10 00            |          | 2 00             |          |
| Boardman, St. James'....      | 10 00            |          | 2 00             |          |
| Canfield, St. Stephen's....   | 8 00             |          | 2 00             |          |
| Centerville, St. David's....  | 5 00             |          | 1 00             |          |
| Chillicothe, St. Paul's....   | 75 00            |          | 12 00            |          |
| Cincinnati, Christ.....       | 260 00           |          | 55 00            |          |
| Cincinnati, St. John's....    | 190 00           |          | 30 00            |          |
| Cincinnati, St. Paul's....    | 190 00           |          | 30 00            |          |
| Cincinnati, Trinity.....      |                  | \$15 00  |                  | \$3 00   |
| Circleville, St. Philip's.... | 35 00            |          | 10 00            |          |
| Cleveland, Grace.....         | 41 86            | 18 14    | 5 00             | 5 00     |
| Cleveland, St. John's....     | 40 00            |          | 10 00            |          |
| Cleveland, St. Paul's....     | 100 00           |          | 10 00            | 5 00     |
| Cleveland, Trinity.....       | 110 00           |          | 15 00            |          |
| Columbia, St. Luke's....      | 2 00             | 4 00     | 1 00             | 1 00     |
| Columbus, St. Paul's....      | 12 00            |          | 6 00             |          |
| Columbus, Trinity.....        | 85 00            |          | 20 00            |          |
| Cross Creek, St. James'....   | 10 00            |          | 5 00             |          |
| Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's    | 25 00            |          | 5 00             |          |
| Dayton, Christ .....          | 70 00            |          | 10 00            |          |
| Delaware, St. Peter's....     | 55 00            |          | 11 00            |          |
| Dresden Zion.....             | 15 00            |          | 5 00             |          |
| E. Liverpool, St. Stephen's   |                  | 2 00     |                  | 2 00     |
| E. Plymouth, St. Matthew's    | 3 00             |          | 2 00             |          |
| E. Springfield, St. John's.   |                  | 18 00    |                  | 3 00     |
| Elyria, St. Andrew's....      | 5 00             |          | 2 00             |          |
| Euclid, St. Paul's.....       | 6 00             |          | 1 00             |          |
| Franklin, Christ.....         | 4 00             | 3 00     | 1 00             | 2 00     |
| Fremont, St. Paul's....       | 5 00             |          | 2 00             |          |
| Gambier, Harcourt .....       | 54 50            |          | 8 00             |          |
| Grafton, St. Stephen's....    | 3 00             |          | 2 00             |          |
| Granville, St. Luke's....     | 15 00            |          | 5 00             |          |
| Greenville, St. Paul's....    | 2 00             |          | 2 00             |          |
| Hartsgrove, St. Paul's....    |                  | 2 00     |                  | 2 00     |
| Hillsboro', St. Mary's....    | 10 00            |          | 3 00             |          |
| Hudson, Christ.....           | 20 00            | 20 00    | 5 00             | 6 00     |
| Huron, Christ.....            | 4 00             |          | 2 00             |          |
| Ironton, Christ .....         | 3 00             |          | 2 00             |          |

## TREASURER'S ACCOUNT WITH THE PARISHES—CONTINUED.

| NAME OF PARISH.              | EPISCOPATE FUND. |          | CONTINGENT FUND. |          |
|------------------------------|------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
|                              | Amount paid.     | Arrears  | Amount paid.     | Arrears. |
| Jefferson, Trinity.....      |                  | \$5 00   |                  | \$2 00   |
| Kingston, St. James'....     | \$4 00           |          | \$1 00           |          |
| Lancaster, St. John's....    | 15 00            |          | 5 00             |          |
| Lyme, Trinity .....          | 8 00             |          | 2 00             |          |
| Madison, St. Matthew's..     | 8 00             |          | 2 00             |          |
| Mansfield, Grace .....       |                  | 30 00    |                  | 9 00     |
| Marietta, St. Luke's....     | 15 00            |          | 6 00             |          |
| Marion, St. Paul's.....      | 8 00             |          | 2 00             |          |
| Massillon, St. Timothy's..   | 50 00            |          | 10 00            |          |
| Maumee City, St. Paul's..    | .5 00            |          | 2 00             |          |
| Medina, St. Paul's.....      | 55 00            | 15 00    | 10 00            |          |
| Milan, St. Luke's.....       |                  | 6 00     |                  | 2 00     |
| Mill Creek, St. Mark's ..    |                  | 10 00    |                  | 4 00     |
| Mt. Vernon, Christ .....     | 8 00             |          |                  |          |
| Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's ..    | 47 00            |          |                  |          |
| Newark, Trinity.....         | 20 00            | 18 00    | 5 00             | 4 00     |
| Newton Falls, St. Mark's.    |                  | 10 00    |                  | 6 00     |
| Norwalk, St. Paul's.....     | 35 00            |          | 10 00            |          |
| Oberlin, Christ .....        | 5 00             |          | 2 00             |          |
| Painesville, St. James'....  | 15 00            |          | 6 00             |          |
| Penfield, Christ .....       | 2 00             |          | 1 00             |          |
| Peninsula, Bethel .....      | 3 00             | 3 00     | 1 00             | 1 00     |
| Perry, St. Matthew's....     | 4 00             |          | 2 00             |          |
| Piqua, St. James'.....       | 60 00            |          | 12 00            |          |
| Pomeroy, Grace.....          |                  | 25 00    |                  | 7 00     |
| Portsmouth, All Saints'..    | 80 00            |          | 12 00            |          |
| Rome, St. Peter's.....       |                  | 1 00     |                  | 1 00     |
| Sandusky, Grace .....        | 70 00            | 5 00     | 10 00            |          |
| Springfield, Christ.....     | 15 00            |          | 5 00             |          |
| St. Clairsville, St. Thomas' |                  | 4 00     |                  | 2 00     |
| Steubenville, St. Paul's..   | 65 00            |          | 12 00            |          |
| Strongsville, St. Philip's.  | 2 00             |          | 1 00             |          |
| Toledo, Trinity .....        | 110 00           |          | 18 00            |          |
| Troy, Trinity.....           | 10 00            |          | 2 00             |          |
| Unionville, St. Michael's.   |                  | 1 00     |                  | 1 00     |
| Urbana, Epiphany.....        | 8 00             |          | 1 00             |          |
| Wakeman, St. John's....      |                  | 4 00     |                  | 2 00     |
| Warren, Christ.....          | 12 00            | 38 00    | 3 00             | 8 00     |
| Wooster, St. James'....      | 10 00            |          | 3 00             |          |
| Worthington, St. John's..    | 10 00            |          | 3 00             |          |
| Xenia, Christ.....           | 5 00             |          | 2 00             |          |
| Yellow Springs, Christ ..    | 5 00             |          | 1 00             |          |
| Zanesville, St. James'....   | 100 00           |          | 14 00            |          |
|                              | \$2416 36        | \$260 14 | \$468 00         | \$96 00  |

**Wm. Wood, Treasurer of Diocese of Ohio,**  
**To Episcopate Fund,** Dr.

|                                                 |                  |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| For cash received from sundry Parishes during   |                  |
| current year .....                              | \$2419 36        |
| " balance on hand last year .....               | 104 91           |
| " interest on note at 10 per cent, due July 1st | 10 49            |
|                                                 | <b>\$2534 76</b> |

**PER CONTRA.** Cr.

|                                                |                  |
|------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| By amount paid Bishop for his salary to date.. | \$2000 00        |
| " balance.....                                 | 534 76           |
|                                                | <b>\$2534 76</b> |

**Wm. Wood, Treasurer of Diocese of Ohio,**  
**To Contingent Fund,** Dr.

|                                                      |                 |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| For amount received from sundry Parishes for current |                 |
| year .....                                           | <b>\$468 00</b> |

**PER CONTRA.** Cr.

By sundries paid Bishop, as follows:

|                             |                |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| For traveling expenses..... | \$44 02        |
| " postages .....            | 16 57          |
| " stationery.....           | 7 00           |
| " book for records.....     | 1 00           |
|                             | <b>\$68 59</b> |

By cash paid Rev. Dr. Bronson, balance due 5 00

    " " Rev. W. C. French, for sundries, viz:

|                                      |               |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| For salary ending June 7, 1855.....  | 50 00         |
| " expenses in publishing Journal.... | 9 66          |
| " postages .....                     | 15 10         |
| " telegraphing.....                  | 60            |
| " express charges.....               | 75            |
| " paper and twine.....               | 31            |
| " envelopes .....                    | 30            |
| " charges on circulars.....          | 1 25          |
| " salary for this year .....         | 50 00         |
|                                      | <b>127 97</b> |

By Treasurer's expenses to and from Con-

vention..... 13 00

    " papers, envelopes, stamps, etc..... 6 03 19 03

    " Ohio State Journal Co., for printing..... 222 31

    " " interest..... 10 37 232 68

    " balance..... 14 73

**————— \$468 00**

WM. WOOD,  
*Treasurer Diocese of Ohio.*

GAMBIER, June 7th, 1856.

The Bishop reported that the Parish of Christ Church, Mt. Vernon, was essentially defunct, and the Convention proceeded, in accordance with Article III of the Constitution, to dissolve the connection of said parish with this Convention.

Rev. Mr. Fitch, from the Nominating committee for that purpose, reported the following names for the Missionary and Education Committees of the Diocese, who were duly elected, balloting being unanimously dispensed with :

**MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.**

Rev. Dr. Claxton,  
 " Dr. Butler,  
 " Mr. McElroy,  
 " Mr. Blackaller,  
 " Mr. Reynolds.  
 Messrs. J. W. Andrews,  
 M. G. Mitchell,  
 H. B. Tuttle,  
 M. M. Granger.

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE.**

Rev. Mr. Blake,  
 " Mr. Badger,  
 " Dr. Smith,  
 " Mr. Benson.  
 Messrs. L. Andrews,  
 H. L. Smith,  
 B. L. Lang,  
 M. White.

On motion by Rev. Mr. Schenck, to which an amendment was offered by Mr. S. Patrick, and accepted by the mover, it was

*Resolved unanimously,* That the balance of \$534.76, now in the Treasury of the Diocese to the credit of the Episcopate Fund, be paid to the Bishop in addition to his salary the past year.

Rev. Dr. Brooke was called to the Chair.

Rev. Mr. McElroy moved to go into the election of a Treasurer of the Diocese for the ensuing year.

The Bishop resumed the Chair.

The following persons were nominated for the office of Treasurer: Dr. Wm. Wood, T. G. Odiorne and W. Procter.

**Rev. Mr. Phelps and S. Patrick were appointed tellers, who reported**

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| Whole number of votes cast, . . . . .     | 57 |
| Necessary to a choice, . . . . .          | 29 |
| Of which T. G. Odiorne received . . . . . | 35 |

**Who was thereupon declared duly elected Treasurer.**

**Rev. Dr. Bronson offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted :**

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby tendered to Dr. Wood, for having so long and so faithfully discharged the office of Treasurer of this Convention.

**Rev. Dr. Burr, from the committee on Canons, reported in reference to the Canon proposed by Rev. Mr. Phelps (see p. 41), as follows, which was accepted :**

The committee on Canons, to whom was referred the resolution offered by the Rev. A. Phelps, requiring parochial clergymen to take up quarterly collections in their parishes, in behalf of Diocesan Missions, have had the subject under advisement, and beg leave to report, that in their judgment, it is not expedient at the present time for this Convention to make such an enactment.

**The same gentleman reported in reference to the contemplated change in the times and manner of electing Trustees of the Seminary and College, as follows, which was agreed to :**

The committee on Canons beg leave to report as follows:

*Resolved*, The Bishop and Trustees concurring, that Article III of the Constitution of the Theological Seminary be amended, by changing, in the third line, the word "four," as used twice, to the word "six." After the word "Diocese," in the fourth line, strike out all before the word "chosen," and insert the following: "At the election occurring in the year 1858, one-third of the number shall be designated to hold their office for the term of one year, one-third for the term of two years, and the remaining third for three years; and from and after the year 1858, the vacancies shall be filled each year, as the terms of office expire."

Rev. Mr. Schenck called up the report of the committee on the Memorial, etc.

The Convention resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Rev. Mr. Fitch in the Chair.

After a brief discussion, the committee rose and reported progress.

On motion,

*Resolved*, That the report of the committee on the Memorial, etc., be recommitted to said committee, with instructions to report in more general terms.

On motion, the Rev. Dr. Brooke was added to the committee.

Adjourned to meet at half past six this evening.

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SIX AND A HALF O'CLOCK, P. M.

Convention assembled, and engaged in social worship.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

Mr. M. G. Mitchell offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the citizens of Gambier, for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained its members during our present session; and that we will long cherish in our hearts a pleasing recollection of the social and religious enjoyments of this occasion.

On motion by Mr. S. N. Sanford, the Secretary was instructed to notify the President and Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, respecting the proposed change in its Constitution.

On motion, the Bishop appointed the following committee to attend examinations at Gambier:

|                    |                      |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| Rev. C. Reynolds,  | Rufus King, Esq.,    |
| " G. Watson, D.D., | Sherman Finch, Esq., |
| " D. Risser,       | Hon. G. I. Young,    |
| " L. Burton,       | S. N. Sanford,       |
| " E. C. Benson,    | M. M. Granger, Esq., |
| " John Boyd,       | H. D. Cook, Esq.     |

On motion by Rev. Mr. Badger, the Secretary was instructed to print 1000 copies of the Journal of this Convention, and to deposit 50 copies in the Library of the Theological Seminary.

The Chair reappointed the present committee on the subject of Female Education.

Rev. Mr. McElroy offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the parishes in the Diocese be earnestly requested to remit to the Treasurer of the Diocese, by the 1st of October next, the increased assessment of fifty per cent. upon the former assessment, to pay the assessment of the General Convention upon the Diocese of Ohio, and the appropriation of the Convention towards the payment of the expenses of our Clerical Delegates.

Rev. Mr. Schenck presented the following amended report on the subject of the Memorial, etc., in accordance with the instructions of the Convention, which was adopted:

The committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the Memorial now under the consideration of a Commission of the House of Bishops, and also the consideration of the proposed amendments to the constitution of the General Church, begs leave to present the following report:

Your committee is deeply impressed with the importance of the changes in the liturgical services of our Church proposed in the said Memorial, and would express the belief that the exigencies of the age

demand that these changes should be prayerfully considered, and the aid of the Holy Ghost be invoked to direct into the adoption of those measures which will conduce to the increased efficiency of the Church, and therefore present the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this Convention, the Memorial now under the consideration of a commission of the House of Bishops, presents a most important subject for the action of the approaching General Convention of our Church, and that the wants of the Church demand such action.

*Resolved*, That we present for the favorable consideration of the said General Convention, the following suggestions, not intending to include all the changes which may be advisable:

1st. That the minister may, at his discretion, omit the ante-communion service, except on communion occasions; and that he then be allowed to omit the morning prayer.

2d. That the litany may be used or omitted at the discretion of the minister, and that it may be substituted for morning or evening prayer.

3d. That we have a larger number of special services, and prayers for special occasions; and that there be offices of devotion for the use of missionaries at home and abroad, for the use of institutions of learning, and for Sunday Schools.

*Resolved*, That the liberty of omitting any part of the liturgy which may be granted to the minister, should be so limited as to prevent the regular and habitual omission of any one part.

Your committee further report upon the proposed amendments to the constitution of the General Church, as follows:

In favor of the proposed amendment to Article II, requiring that all delegates to the General Convention be communicants of the Church.

In favor of the proposed amendment to Article V, in reference to the division of Dioceses, provided that no existing Diocese be divided during the lifetime of its acting Diocesan, except upon his own motion.

And that the proposed change in Article VI, with reference to a uniform General Canon for the trial of clergymen, is undesirable.

All of which is submitted in accordance with the instructions of the Convention.

N. H. SCHENCK,  
J. BOYD,  
N. BADGER,  
S. MARKS,  
J. W. ANDREWS,  
M. M. GRANGER,  
H. B. TUTTLE,  
S. N. SANFORD.

*Committee on the Memorial, &c.*

The minutes of this day's proceedings were then read and approved.

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The reading of the minutes of the whole session was dispensed with, and,

On motion, after the chanting of the *Gloria in Excelsis*, and prayers, and the Apostolic Benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

CHAS. P. McILVAINE,

*Bishop of the Diocese and President of the Convention.*

Attest:

WILLIAM C. FRENCH,

*Secretary.*

# COMMITTEES, TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS, 1856-7.

## STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.

|                          |                |
|--------------------------|----------------|
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—Till June, 1858—

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| " JAMES MCELROY,          | H. B. TUTTLE,    |
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## COMMITTEE ON THE IMMEDIATE ENDOWMENT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| REV. JAMES A. BOLLES, D.D., |              |
| JOHN W. ANDREWS,            | KENT JARVIS, |
|                             | WM. PROCTER. |

## COMMITTEE TO ATTEND EXAMINATIONS AT GAMBIER.

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|------------------------|--------------------|
| REV. CHARLES REYNOLDS, | RUFUS KING,        |
| " GEORGE WATSON, D.D., | SHERMAN FINCH,     |
| " DANIEL RISER,        | G. I. YOUNG,       |
| " LEWIS BURTON,        | S. N. SANFORD,     |
| " E. C. BENSON,        | MOSSES M. GRANGER, |
| " JOHN BOYD,           | H. D. COOK.        |

## COMMITTEE ON THE DEPOSIT IN THE COLLEGE FUNDS.

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| REV. R. BETHEL CLAXTON, D.D., | PLATT BENEDICT, | S. D. HARRIS. |
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## COMMITTEE TO REPORT TO NEXT CONVENTION ON CHARITABLE FUNDS, ETC.

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| JOHN W. ANDREWS, | THOMAS C. JONE <sup>4</sup> , | WM. B. THRALL. |
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| GEORGE BROWNING, ESQ., TREASURER. |

## LIST OF CLERGY AND LAY DELEGATES

WHO COMPOSED THIS CONVENTION.

## CLERGY.

The Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE, D.D., D.C.L.,

|                                |                               |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| The Rev. NORMAN BADGER,        | The Rev. HUMPHREY HOLLIS,     |
| " " DARIUS BARKER,             | " " LEVI L. HOLDEN,           |
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| " " COLUMBUS S. DOOLITTLE,     | " " JOSEPH E. RYAN,           |
| " " THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD,       | " " NOAH HUNT SCHENCK,        |
| " " CHAUNCEY W. FITCH,         | " " THOMAS M. SMITH, D.D.,    |
| " " LYMAN N. FREEMAN,          | " " E. A. STRONG,             |
| " " WILLIAM C. FRENCH,         | " " GEORGE B. STURGES,        |
| " " FRANCIS GRANGER,           | " " GEORGE WATSON, D.D.,      |
| " " RICHARD GRAY,              | " " HOMER WHEELER,            |
| " " P. H. GREENLEAF, D.D.,     | " " M. T. C. WING, D.D.       |
| " " JOHN HOCHULY,              |                               |

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## LAY DELEGATES.

*Akron, St. Paul's*—Frederick Wolcott.*Canfield, St. Stephen's*—G. I. Young.*Cincinnati, Christ*—Wm. Procter." *St. John's*—T. G. Odiorne." *St. Paul's*—S. Wyllis Pomeroy. *Circleville, St. Philip's*—Joseph Doddridge.*Cleveland, Grace*—D. E. Field, Henry G. Perry." *St. Paul's*—E. T. Sterling." *Trinity*—A. Roberta, Douglas Case.

*Columbus, St. Paul's*—Isaac N. Whiting.  
 “ *Trinity*—John W. Andrews, S. D. Harris.  
*Cross Creek, St. James'*—A. Cunningham.  
*Dayton, Christ*—W. Munger, Richard Lane, Geo. Shoup.  
*Delaware, St. Peter's*—Caleb Howard, C. C. Chamberlain.  
*Dresden, Zion*—C. Marquand.  
*Gambier, Harcourt*—R. S. French, Lorin Andrews, H. D. Lathrop.  
*Grancile, St. Luke's*—S. N. Sanford.  
*Huron, Christ*—S. P. McDonald.  
*Ironton, Christ*—Wm. Mather Bolles.  
*Massillon, St. Timothy's*—J. McCullough, Kent Jarvis.  
*Maurmee City, St. Paul's*—T. W. Wolfsinger.  
*Medina, St. Paul's*—Wm. H. Canfield, Isaac Bronson.  
*Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's*—E. Alling, J. N. Burr, J. W. Russell.  
*Norwalk, St. Paul's*—Platt Benedict, S. Patrick.  
*Painesville, St. James'*—Alex. Thompson.  
*Perry, St. Matthew's*—Matthew Trimble, Benj. Lee, Dr. Cunningham.  
*Piqua, St. James'*—M. G. Mitchell.  
*Portsmouth, All Saints'*—J. M. Shackleford, Wm. Hall.  
*Springfield, Christ*—Samuel Houghton, Malcolm Gregory.  
*Troy, Trinity*—Asa Coleman.  
*Urbana, Epiphany*—Jas. Moore.  
*Zanesville, St. James'*—E. E. Fillmore, M. M. Granger.

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The following persons were present in the Convention, as Honorary Members, under the XVIth Rule of Order:

*Clergymen of this Diocese:*

The Rev. EDWARD C. BENSON,  
 “ “ JAMES A. M. LA TOURRETTE,  
 “ “ J. RICE TAYLOR.

*Of the Diocese of Alabama:*

The Rev. THOMAS A. MORRIS.

*Of the Diocese of Pennsylvania (now of Ohio):*

The Rev. J. J. McELHINNEY.

*Candidates for Orders in this Diocese present:*

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| CORNELIUS S. ABBOTT, | JAMES L. GROVER,         |
| JOHN H. C. BONTE,    | MOSES HAMILTON,          |
| JOHN P. CURRAN,      | PETER H. JEFFRIES,       |
| C. GEORGE CURRIE,    | HENRY H. MESSENGER,      |
| CHARLES W. FEARNS,   | BENJAMIN T. NOAKES,      |
| WILLIAM FULTON,      | WARREN HASTINGS ROBERTS. |

## N O T I C E .

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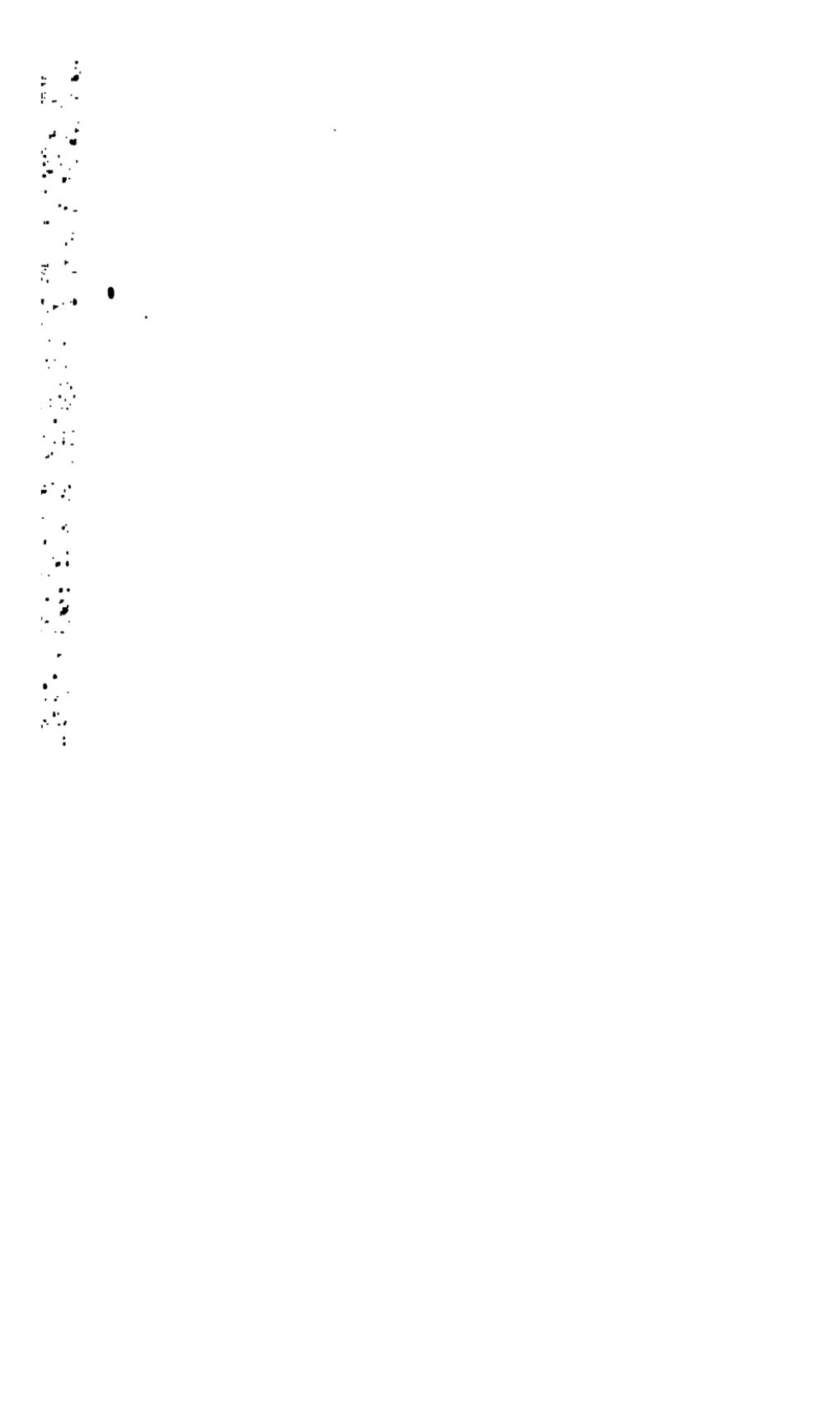
THE Fortieth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, will, by Divine permission, be holden in St. James' Church, Piqua, on Thursday, June 4th, A. D. 1857, commencing at 10 o'clock, a. m.

WILLIAM C. FRENCH,  
*Secretary of the Convention.*

IRONTON, June 25, 1856.

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## **A P P E N D I X .**



## PAROCHIAL AND CLERICAL REPORTS, FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1856.

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*Akron, St. Paul's* . . . . . *Rev. Edward Meyer.*

Marriages, 1; burials, 2; communicants, 27.

Sunday School—children, 25; teachers, 4; catechized 5 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$30; Contingent fund, \$11; Diocesan Missions, \$6; Sunday School, \$2.13; other parochial purposes, \$6.78—Total, \$55.91.

*Ashtrabula, St. Peter's* . . . . . *Rev. Homer Wheeler.*

Baptisms—infant, 12; marriages, 3; burials, 2; communicants—last reported, 182; increased—by transfer, 3; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 8; by discipline, 1; present number, 175.

Amount of communion alms during the year, \$254.73.

Parish School—children, 60; teachers, 4; catechized by the rector once or twice a week in the school, and once a month before the congregation.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$25; Contingent fund, \$6; Foreign Missions, \$12.35; Domestic Missions, \$23.70; Diocesan Missions, (Ashtabula county,) \$8; Sunday School, \$8; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$3; Nashotah Mission, \$22.72; schooling of poor children, \$84; Portsmouth sufferers, \$5; relief of poor, say \$12; the parish has also paid near \$2000 for the improvement of the Church edifice and grounds.

*Bellevue, St. Paul's* . . . . . Vacant.

Baptisms—infant, 2; confirmations, 4; marriages, 1; burials, 1; communicants, 18.

Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$2.

JOHN GRIMES, *Sen. Warden.*

*Berkshire, Grace* . . . . . *Rev. Henry Payne.*

Baptisms—infant, 1; communicants, 28.

Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$2.

*Boardman, St. James'* . . . . . *Rev. C. S. Doolittell.*

Baptisms—infant, 2; marriages, 2; burials, 2; communicants—last reported, 34; increased—by transfer, 7; diminished—by removal, 3; present number, 38.

Amount of communion alms. \$33.42.

Sunday School—children, 20; teachers, 5; catechized 8 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$2; Foreign Missions, \$6; Domestic Missions, \$3; Diocesan Missions, \$14; Sunday School, \$1.50; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$3; Prayer-books and incidental expenses, \$5.88; balance on parsonage building, \$100—Total, \$145.38.

In addition to preaching once every Sunday at Boardman and Canfield, I have preached once every four weeks in Youngstown, where ten of the communicants reside, who are reported above. There are quite a number of others there who are either communicants in the Episcopal Church, or have been educated in it, and could the regular services of the Church be held there for a time, no doubt a flourishing Church might be collected.

*Canfield, St. Stephen's . . . . Rev. C. S. Doolittle.*

Baptisms—adult, 1; infant, 2; confirmations, 2; marriages, 2; burials, 2.

Communicants—last reported, 22; increased—by admission 2; diminished—by removal, 2; by discipline, 1; present number, 21.

Amount of communion alms, \$36.19.

Sunday School—children, 25; teachers, 5.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$8; Contingent fund, \$2; Foreign Missions, \$7; Diocesan Missions, \$10; Sunday School, \$6.44; Bishop White Prayer-book Society, \$3; American Bible Society, \$6; Contingent expenses, &c., \$3—Total, \$45.44.

*Centerville, St. David's . . . . Rev. Abraham Edwards.*

Baptisms—infant, 3; marriages, 1; burials, 3.

Communicants—last reported, 53; increased—by admission, 3; diminished—by death, 3; present number, 53.

Communion alms, \$6.

Sunday School—children, 50; teachers, 10; catechized 8 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$5; Contingent fund, \$1; Bible Society, \$66—Total, \$72.

My Missionary services have been performed at Gallipolis, where there is a good prospect for our Church.

*Chillicothe, St. Paul's . . . . Rev. Lyman N. Freeman.*

Baptisms—infant, 19; adult, 5; confirmations, 1; marriages, 3; burials, 9.

Communicants—last reported, 109; increased—by admission, 5; by transfer, 10; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 12; by discipline, 4; present number, 108.

Communion alms, \$60.82.

Sunday School—children, 62; teachers, 12; catechized 12 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$75; Contingent fund, \$22; Missions—foreign, \$28.28; domestic, \$32.75; diocesan, \$62.63; S. School, \$25; Wid. and Orph. Soc. \$12; thanksgiving offering for

the poor, \$14.10; Bible Soc. \$78; for a Protestant Hungarian Congregation in Constantinople, \$25; Church building in Oberlin, \$85; Am. Tract Soc. \$20; other objects of benevolence and contingent expenses of parish, \$200; gas fixtures in rectory, \$65—Total, \$805.58.

At the time of the Bishop's visit to this parish, there were five of the candidates for confirmation absent from the city, two of whom have since been confirmed by Bishop Smith, at Washington, Ky., and have partaken of the Holy Communion; and besides these, there were four other candidates for the rite of confirmation, but, owing to the influence of circumstances, only one of them was confirmed,—three of them, however, have since communed.

This parish is still suffering greatly by removals from it. Many very valuable communicants have gone to other parishes since the last Convention. This state of things, in a parish, is very discouraging to its rector and his parishioners, but there is no remedy for it. The pecuniary ability of the parish has been very much diminished. There are eight candidates for confirmation. My Missionary services have been rendered at Kingston, but I cannot go there any more; and I would suggest that the parish organization be given up, and the communicants be absorbed by the parishes in Chillicothe and Circleville.

*Cincinnati, Christ . . . . Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D.*

Baptisms—infant, 29; adult, 3; marriages, 17; burials, 15; confirmations, 11.

Communicants—last reported, 217; increased—by admission, 12; by transfer, 36; diminished—by removal, 20; present number, 236. Communion alms, \$472.

Contributions—monthly collections in the Church, \$933; Easter offering for Diocesan Missions, \$1066; for the poor of the city, through Rev. Mr. Gray, \$830; for various objects, \$3441; Sunday School offerings, \$350; Ladies' Benev. Soc. \$700; Ladies' Dorcas Soc. \$200—Total, \$7992.

These contributions have been appropriated to the following objects: Episcopal fund, \$260; Contingent fund, \$55; poor of the city, \$1302; Education committee of the Diocese, \$705; Miss. Com. \$500; City Missions, \$1261; Churches and Missions in the Diocese, \$1799.24; Evangelical Knowl. Soc. \$1150; Am. Tr. Soc. \$300; Am. S. S. Union, \$253.50; For. Miss., \$224.26; Young Men's Bib. Soc. of Cin., \$182—Total, \$7992.

In addition to these sums for religious and benevolent objects, the congregation have also paid within the year the remaining debt of the church, which amounted to \$2500. The whole amount, therefore, contributed by the congregation during the year, which has come to the knowledge of the rector, is \$10,492.

The above record of services includes those also of the Rev. Mr. Gray.

*Cincinnati, St. John's . . . . Rev. W. R. Nicholson.*

Baptisms—infant, 34; adult, 3; confirmations, 7; marriages, 32; funerals, 18; communicants—previously reported, 177; increase—by admission, 7; by transfer, 5; decrease—by removal, 33; present number, 156.

Sunday School—average attendance of children, 200; of teachers, 28; catechised, 9 times.

Contributions—Bishop's salary, \$190; Contingent fund, \$30; for the Sunday School of the parish, \$115.67; Communion offerings, \$277.08; Diocesan Education—by public collection, \$69.19; by individuals, \$500; by private contributions to the agent, \$53; missions in Cincinnati, \$127.31; for a beneficiary in Seminary—by public contribution, \$52.95; for the Church in Ironton, \$116.38; Church in Hillsboro', \$78; for Missions—by the Sunday School, \$1183.51; of which \$683.51 for Diocesan, \$100 for Oregon, \$400 for Foreign; E. K. Society, \$48.69; Am. Sunday School Union, \$54.73; various benevolent objects, \$300—Total amount for benevolent objects, \$3196.51.

*Cincinnati, St. Paul's . . . Rev. P. H. Greenleaf, D.D.*

[No Report.]

*Cincinnati, Trinity . . . . . Vacant.*

[No Report.]

*Cincinnati, Mission Chapel . . . Rev. Edward Magee.*

As this is the first report, to the Convention of Ohio, of the above mission, since the undersigned assumed its charge, now upwards of two years, he may perhaps be allowed, in order to a correct view of its condition, to give the increase of its communicants during this period. With this exception, its statistics apply wholly to the year ending June 5th, 1856.

Communicants—original number, 6; increase—by admission, 50; decrease—by death, 5; by removal, 10; present number, 41. Baptisms—infant, 15; confirmations, 11; marriages, 6; burials, 14.

Net amount of Communion alms, \$27.37.

Sunday School—average number of children, 110; of teachers, 11.

Contributions—rent of "upper room," Odd Fellows' Hall, \$130; Missionary's salary, \$100; proceeds of donation visit at Christmas, \$65; Mission Sunday School, \$15; raised by Missionary's family for burying the dead, \$82.50; raised by the same for mission poor, \$56.25; offering by a member for the poor, and Communion alms, \$29.37—Total, \$478.12.

In addition to this, there has been distributed among the mission poor a large quantity of clothing and fuel. Of this latter article alone, some 250 bushels have been literally begged; while upwards of 200 bushels besides have been had, for the mere asking, from the

**Rev. R. Gray**, whose position for usefulness among the suffering and the needy, has enabled him cordially to second my efforts, also in their behalf. And of these efforts some slight notion may be formed when it is stated, that the relief thus afforded the wretched, has been obtained for them, generally, in dimes and quarters; sometimes in half dollars and dollars; and this, too, by the road-side, in the grocery, the tavern, the work-shop, the counting-house, and the private residence.

*Circleville, St. Philip's . . . . . Rev. D. Risser.*

Baptisms—infant, 1; communicants—last reported, 61; increased—by transfer, 3; diminished—by removal, 14; present number, 50. Communion alms, \$8.20; Bishop's salary, \$35; Contingent fund, \$10—Total, \$53.20.

The undersigned accepted a call to this parish, to officiate every alternate Sunday, and commenced his services as Rector the first week in April last. The parish had been without a minister for about six months, which may account for the fewness of the official acts above reported, and for the small amount contributed to benevolent objects. The present weakened state of the parish is owing to the losses it has sustained by removals, as the above report partly shows. We hope and pray for increased zeal among the members, and for many additions to their number.

*Cleveland, Grace . . . Rev. L. Carter & Rev. Dr. Perry.*

Baptisms—infant, 24; adult, 3; confirmations, 15; marriages, 13; burials, 20; communicants—last reported, 111; increased—by admission, 7; by transfer, 11; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 14; present number, 114.

Communion alms, about \$96.

Sunday School—children, 85; teachers, 15; catechised about twice a month. The Rector attends Sunday School every Sunday when able to do so.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$50; Contingent fund, \$10; Diocesan Missions, \$30.35; Sunday School, \$47.50; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$8.79.

[Accompanying this report, the Secretary received \$15 by mail for the Treasurer, but too late to be credited in his account, page 62.]

*Cleveland, St. John's . . . . . Rev. L. Burton.*

Baptisms—infant, 19; adult, 5; confirmations, 10; marriages, 17; burials, 26.

Communicants—last reported, 126; increased—by admission, 15; by transfer, 7; diminished—by death, 3; by removal, 10; by discipline, 1; present number, 134.

Communion alms, \$125.33.

Number of children in Sunday School, 110; teachers, 18; catechised generally monthly.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$40; contingent fund, \$10; Foreign Missions, \$20; domestic, \$16; diocesan, \$41; Sunday School, \$40; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$12.68; Trinity Church, Oshkosh, Wis., \$50; Seamen's Bethel, Cleveland, \$9; relief of an afflicted young woman, \$7; repairs of Church, etc., \$75—Total, \$319.68.

The Rector gratefully acknowledges the receipt of a liberal donation and other favors, from his parishioners, and is encouraged by renewed tokens of their confidence, affection and appreciation.

The congregation, communicants, and Sunday School, have increased in the course of the year. The Lenten services were well attended, and attended, too, with apparently more interest than usual. Thankful for the manifestations of Divine favor this year, may they be still more abundant in the year about to succeed. The Bishop's visitation was a season of unusual interest, and his labors, I trust, were blessed to very many.

*Cleveland, St. Paul's . . . Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D.*

Baptisms—infant, 16, (and one in Trinity Parish); adult, 2; confirmations, 14; marriages, 14, (and two in Trinity Parish); burials, 14, (and two each in Trinity and St. John's).

Communicants—last reported, 108; increased—by admission, 14; by transfer, 12; diminished—by removal, (including two withdrawn,) 19; present number, 115.

Number of children in Sunday School, 170; teachers, 22; catechised 4 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$100; contingent fund, \$10; Foreign Missions, \$92.11, (of which \$68 was from the Sunday School); diocesan—under N. E. Association, \$25.60, and Education, \$44.25—\$69.85; Sunday School, \$83.92; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$18; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, \$10; Church at Oberlin, \$27; sufferers by fever at Norfolk, \$83; Cleveland Bible Society, \$40; for poor, \$62.36; for Church-building, bell, etc., etc., \$11,100; general purposes, \$32.50; curtains for Church windows, \$50—Total, \$11,778.74.

With the above statistics it should be stated that St. Paul's Church has, during the past three years, been engaged in large expenditures, partly in completing the Church edifice, and partly in the liquidation of debts (and accruing interest) incurred during its erection. The aggregate of that expenditure, and the amount paid for a bell, not having been previously reported, is included in the above statement. The Rector is happy to add that the Sunday School is larger than ever; that the congregation continues to increase in numbers, and that the blessing of unity and peace among ourselves is still vouchsafed us. Great liberality has been shown in the financial arrangements of the Parish, and we rejoice in the confidence that He who alone can give true prosperity, is not withholding from us the evidence of His favor.

*Cleveland, Trinity . . . . . Rev. J. A. Bolles, D.D.*

[Report for 21 months—there being none at last Convention.]

Baptisms—infant, 36; adult, 10; confirmations, 32; marriages, 26; burials, 24.

Communicants—January, 1854, 110; increased—by admission, 29; by transfer, 30; diminished—by death, 6; by removal, 8; present number, 155.

Amount of communion alms, \$509.15.

Number of children in Sunday School, 278; teachers, 26; catechised 21 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$220; contingent fund, \$27; Foreign Missions, (for Africa, by S. School,) \$15; domestic, \$179.76; diocesan, (including City Mission,) \$316.53; Sunday School, building and books, \$707.61; for Prayer Books for gratuitous distribution, \$66; the education of two young men for the ministry, \$150; the building of a Church in Wisconsin, \$41.50; clothing of poor children, and a Christmas donation to same, \$183; a surplice to Church in Tiffin, \$15; the Protestant Episcopal Tract Society, \$15.44; Cleveland Bible Society, \$16.85; orphan children of Norfolk and Portsmouth, \$114.35; within the same period, for Church building, not less than \$15,000—Total, \$17,277.19.

For the school room and furniture we are principally indebted to the Ladies' Sewing Society.

By the system of monthly offerings in the Church, including communion alms, we have received twelve hundred and fifty dollars and seven cents; and I embrace the occasion to recommend this systematic mode of collections, as the most effective and useful.

I have been greatly assisted during the last six months by the Rev. Mr. Corlett, who has performed the duties of a city missionary, visiting the poor, the sick and the afflicted; and I have no doubt, as the result of God's blessing upon his labors, that before another annual Convention, we shall be able to report the establishment of at least two Mission Churches. Already the ground is secured. In addition, we have had a valuable bequest of land and buildings, for the establishment of "Trinity Church Home for the sick and friendless."

*Columbia, St. Luke's . . . . . Rev. J. Hochuly.*

Baptisms—infant, 7; burials, 3; communicants—last reported, 33; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 10; present number, 22.

Communion alms, \$5.18.

Sunday School—children, 20; teachers, 4.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$8; Contingent fund, \$2; Domestic missions, \$3.21.

I took charge of this parish, in connection with that of Strongsville, last September. This parish, like that, was destitute of preaching for three years, until the time of my taking charge. During this interval the parish was diminished by the removal of eleven communicants.

I serve each parish twice every alternate Sunday. Although the number of communicants is small, yet much progress has been made in such things as contribute to the encouragement of the pastor and people. There is a very manifest increasing attachment to the ordinances of grace. As in the other parish, so in this, many have done to the utmost of their means to secure and continue the administration of the Word and Sacraments. The Sunday School scholars, though small in number, are a pattern for their interest and faithfulness in the discharge of their duty. I catechise them every Sunday I officiate. In this parish the sacrament of the Lord's Supper has been administered twice since my charge—once by the Rev. Mr. Burton (West Cleveland), previous to my obtaining presbyter's orders, and once since by myself.

A contribution of \$7.25 was made by the parish for the purchase of Sunday School books, but was applied to the purchase of a Parish Library, of 25 volumes, selected from the American Tract Society's publications—Mrs. I. N. Whiting, of Columbus, having very kindly made us a present of a Sunday School Library of 102 volumes.

With thankfulness to God for his past goodness, and praying for the continuance of his favor, we hope to make further progress during the coming year.

*Columbus, St. Paul's . . . Rev. J. A. M. La Tourrette.*

Baptisms—infant, 1; burials, 1; communicants—last reported, 33; increased—by transfer, 1; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 2; present number, 31.

Sunday School—children, 40; teachers, 9; catechised once.

Contributions—for Bishop's Salary, \$12; Contingent fund, \$6; general purposes, \$2.

The present Rector began his labors in this parish on the Sunday after Ascension day, previous to which time there had been no services from the preceding October. The attendance has been very encouraging thus far, there being a steady, gradual increase at each succeeding service.

It is hoped that, under the Divine blessing, this parish may be placed upon a firm basis. Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain who build it. If the Lord be with us, it will be built.

*Columbus, Trinity . . . . . Rev. Chas. Reynolds.*

Baptisms—infant, 19; adult, 4; confirmations, 18; marriages, 5; burials, 8; communicants—last reported, 85; corrections, 21—106; increased—by admission, 28; by transfer, 17; diminished—by death, 2; by removal, 14; present number, 137.

Communion alms, \$250.09.

Sunday School—children, 130; teachers, 18; catechized monthly.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$85; Contingent fund, \$20; Foreign Missions, \$80.85; Diocesan Missions, \$57; Sunday School, \$28.28; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$23; Orphan children of

city of Norfolk, \$117; Columbus Fem. Benev. Soc., \$88.66; Am. Tract Soc., \$55; Am. S. S. Union, \$35.23; Bible Soc. amount not known; repairs on Church, about \$80; to sustain Western Episcopalian, \$300—(this amount is to go, ultimately, to Diocesan Missions.)

In addition to the above the parish has subscribed several thousand dollars towards the erection of a new edifice. A large and very valuable lot has been purchased, and plans for Church, Sunday School room and Parsonage have been adopted. The Lenten and other services have been well attended, and many outward marks of prosperity have been vouchsafed us.

*Cross Creek, St. James'* . . . . . Vacant.

Baptisms—infant, 4; burials, 2; communicants—last reported, 52; died, 2; present number, 45. (There must be a mistake in the last report.)

Communion alms, \$7—appropriated to the Rev. Mr. Gray, who visited us and administered the sacraments.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$8; arrearages, \$10; Contingent fund, \$5; arrearages, \$5; Diocesan Missions, \$4.62—Total, \$32.62.  
A. CUNNINGHAM, *Sen. Warden.*

*Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's* . . . . . *Rev. L. L. Holden.*

Baptisms—infant, 5; adult, 1; confirmations, 1; marriages, 5; burials, 8; communicants—last reported, 51; increased—by admission, 1; by transfer, 1; removed, 6; present number, 47.

Communion alms, \$38.80.

Sunday School—children, 45; teachers, 9; preached to children, 11 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$25; Contingent fund, \$5; Foreign Missions, \$15; S. School penny collections for For. Miss., \$9.50; Domestic Missions, \$4; Diocesan Missions, \$65; S. School, \$9.05 (\$2.50 from the penny collections of the S. School); Wid. and Orph. Soc., \$10; Parish Library and Tracts, \$28.11; Parish Visitor and postage, 11.42; prayer books, \$5.00; sundries, \$37—Total, \$224.58.

*Dayton, Christ* . . . . . *Rev. H. H. Morrell.*

Baptisms—infant, 5; adult, 4; confirmations, 12; burials, 5; communicants—last reported, 102; increased—by admission, 11; by transfer, 4; diminished—by death, 2; by removal, 6; present number, 109.

Communion alms, \$19.76.

Sunday School—children, 75; teachers, 12; catechized 6 times.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary \$70; Contingent fund, \$10; Foreign Missions, \$46; Diocesan Missions, \$46; S. School, \$15.65; Am. Bib. Soc., \$25; Ladies' Sew. Soc. for parochial purposes, \$175.

The Sunday School contributed twenty dollars of the above mission funds.

*Defiance, Grace . . . . . Rev. D. Barker.*

Baptisms—adult, 1; confirmations, 2; communicants, 5.

Bishop's salary, \$2; Contingent fund, \$1.

The Missionary has preached here four times on Sundays, and as often, at other times, on week days, during the year. No services by any other clergyman.

*Delaware, St. Peter's . . . . . Rev. James McElroy.*

Baptisms—adult, 2; confirmations, 7; marriages, 6; burials, 5; communicants—last reported, 90; increased—by admission, 5; by transfer, 7; diminished—by death, 2; by removal, 9; present number, 91.

Sunday School—children, 65; teachers, 9.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$55; Contingent fund, \$11; Diocesan Missions, \$20; Sunday School, \$12.37; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$5; Am. Tr. Soc., \$34; Chapel, Fort Mackinac, \$5; repairing, painting church, &c., and part payment of parish debt for rectory, &c., and relief of poor, \$414.95; building church at Oberlin, \$19; Central Association, 16.50—Total, \$592.82.

Our parish church has been furnished and adorned during the year with a substantial and elegant set of front steps with iron balustrade, and repaired and painted with oil color, at an expense of two hundred and sixty-one dollars, and the debt upon our rectory reduced to some sixty dollars. We are still somewhat in debt for general improvements and repairs upon our parish church. Owing to emigration from our parish, and to the organization of a new Sunday School in our neighborhood, we have lost nearly a third of our Sunday School; but it is gradually again filling up, and it still continues a well conducted and invaluable nursery to the parish. Our congregation, notwithstanding our losses by emigration, continues to be favored with a healthful increase, and the roll of our communicants with valuable additions. Our communion is evidently gaining strength among us, and if pastor and people had more of the spirit of our Divine Master—had more of his love and prayer and self-denial, we should be more useful than we are in extending His kingdom upon earth, and adding to our own numbers of such as shall be saved. The rector takes great pleasure in reporting the activity and great efficiency of the young ladies' and the senior ladies' sewing circles. All the money raised in the parish this year for improvements and repairs, &c., has been raised by these excellent societies, with some liberal contributions by the young gentlemen of the congregation. The rector adds his gratitude to his parish for liberal donations during the year, and a handsome sum given expressly to enable him to take a recreatory tour last summer to recruit his health.

*Dresden, Zion . . . . . Rev. A. T. McMurphy.*

Baptisms—infant, 4; adult, 1; confirmations, 3; marriages, 5; burials, 9; communicants—last reported, 56; increased—by admis-

sion, 2; by transfer, 4; diminished—by death, 4; by removal, 4; present number, 54.

Communion alms, \$13.07; Sunday School—children, 40; teachers, 10; catechised once.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary, \$15; Contingent fund, \$5; Foreign Missions, \$15; Diocesan Missions, \$49; Sunday School, \$15; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$8; other objects, viz: by two members of parish, for an object in connection with Kenyon College, \$100; by the same, in aid of Western Episcopalian, \$150—Total, \$350.07.

The parsonage is so far completed as to be now occupied, and, when enclosed, will do great credit to the parish.

*East Liverpool, St. Stephen's . . . . . Vacant.*

[No Report.]

*East Plymouth, St. Matthew's . . . . . Vacant.*

Burials, 1; communicants—last reported, 36; increased—by admission, 1; died, 1; removed, 2; present number, 28.

Communion alms, \$5.50.

Bishop's salary, \$3; Contingent fund, \$2.

SAM'L BURNET, *Sen. Warden.*

*East Springfield, St. John's . . . . . Vacant.*

[No Report.]

*Elyria, St. Andrew's . . . . . Rev. F. Granger.*

Baptisms—adult, 1; confirmations, 6; marriages, 1; communicants—last reported, 34; increased—by admission, 8; by transfer, 4; diminished—by removal, 3; present number, 44.

Communion alms, \$9.20.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary, \$5; Contingent fund, \$2; Diocesan Missions, \$7; for shingling the Church anew and enclosing the site, about \$125.

It is deeply to be regretted that catechetical instruction, and the interests of the Sunday School, have *necessarily* been much neglected for the past year, especially as skepticism and indifference to religion so abound in this place, that the chief hope of the Church is in preserving the children from evil influences, by a proper course of instruction and training.

The Church here is progressing, but slowly, yet it is doing a good work, and its influence is very much needed in this community.

Of the communicants reported above, ten live in Dover, about 12 miles distant, to whom I usually preach once on each alternate Sunday. In the absence of a clergyman, they regularly conduct lay reading; and a Sunday School has been kept up a part of the year.

*Euclid, St. Paul's . . . . . Rev. T. Corlett.*

Baptisms—infant, 1 ; marriages, 1 ; communicants—last reported, 17 ; added—by transfer, 3 ; present number, 20.

Communion alms, \$6.

Children catechized once.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary, \$6 ; Contingent fund, \$1 ; Domestic Missions, \$24.70 ; Parochial purposes, \$72 ; other purposes, \$3.03—Total, \$99.73.

The Missionary commenced his labors in St. Paul's Parish, Euclid, in December last; since which time he has preached there every alternate Sunday. For some time previous to my going there, they had been occasionally supplied with preaching by the clergy from the city. With the hope that they might be able to procure the regular services of a clergyman, both the ladies and gentlemen of the parish have gone to work in completing the repairs of the Church. The ladies have procured lamps for the Church, at a cost of \$33, and paid for them ; and the gentlemen have raised \$39, for blinds. These are all up and paid for. There are but few church people in this parish, but they are not only willing to do, but doing all they can to maintain the services of the Church.

Besides my labors at Euclid, I have assisted Dr. Bolles, of Trinity Church, Cleveland, and performed some missionary work in Warrensville and at Windsor.

*Franklin Mills, Christ . . . . . Rev. H. Holles.*

Communicants—last reported, 26 ; removed, 2 ; present number, 24.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary, \$4 ; Contingent fund, \$1 ; Diocesan Missions, \$2.28—Total, \$7.28.

This parish, situated in a village passing through a season of depression, has been weakened by removals during the past year, and greatly needs the fostering care of the Church.

*Fremont, St. Paul's . . . . . Vacant.*

[No Report.]

*Gambier, Harcourt . . . . . Rev. N. H. Schenck.*

Baptisms—infant, 18 ; adult, 6 ; confirmations, 58 ; marriages, 3 ; burials, 6 ; communicants—last reported, as corrected, 132 ; increased—by admission, 63 ; by transfer, 44 ; removed, 19 ; present number, 220.

Communion alms, \$62.38.

Sunday Schools—children, 240 ; teachers, 42 ; catechised monthly.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary, \$50 ; Contingent fund, \$8 ; Foreign Missions, \$59.30 ; Diocesan Missions, \$37.11 ; Sunday School, \$15.18 ; Church repairs, \$300—Total, \$531.97.

*Grafton, St. Stephen's . . . . . Vacant.*

Communicants—last reported, 14; removed, 2; present number, 12.  
Bishop's salary, \$3; Contingent fund, \$2.

GEO. VAN DEUSEN, *Sen. Warden.*

*Granville, St. Luke's . . . . . Rev. E. B. Kellogg.*

Baptisms—infant, 1; adult, 1; confirmations, 12; burials, 4; communicants, 67; increased—by admission, 14; diminished—by removal, 30; present number, 51.

Sunday School—children, 28; teachers, 5.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary, \$15; Contingent fund, \$5; Foreign Missions, \$25; Domestic Missions, \$10; Diocesan Missions, \$5; Sunday School, \$12.50; American Bible Society, \$5—Total, \$77.50.

I continued to serve St. Paul's Church, Columbus, until Nov. 16th, 1855, when I took charge of St. Luke's, Granville. I found on the Register of this parish the names of but 37 communicants who are actual residents. The number last reported was 67. How many of the 30, who have removed, still consider themselves members of the parish, is not known.

The number of communicants in this Church is greatly affected by removals, as most of the accessions are from the Episcopal Female Seminary.

*Greenville, St. Paul's . . . . . Rev. C. W. Fitch.*

Baptisms—infant, 6; burial, 1.

Episcopate, \$2; Contingent fund, \$2—Total, \$4.

Once a month, by the kindness of Dr. Dorsey, of Piqua, I have been enabled to preach in Greenville seven months. The only hope of permanent good to this parish is from a resident missionary.

*Hamilton, St. Matthew's . . . . . Vacant.*

[No Report.]

*Hartsgrove, St. Paul's . . . . . Vacant.*

[No Report.]

*Hillsboro', St. Mary's . . . . . Vacant.*

Baptisms—infant, 17; adult, 3; confirmations, 17; marriages, 1; burials, 1; communicants—last reported, 41; increased—by admission, 3; by transfer, 2; diminished—by removal, 7; by discipline, 1; present number, 38.

Communion alms, \$63.18.

Sunday School—children, 70; teachers, 10; catechised monthly.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$3; Foreign Missions, \$8; domestic, \$6.05; Sunday School, \$20.02; completing Church, say \$1000—Total, \$1,110.25.

St. Mary's Church was consecrated by Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine on October 25, 1856. The above report only embraces the operations of this parish up to Easter Monday, when my resignation took effect.

NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, *late Rector.*

[The following paragraph, omitted in the report of the committee on the State of the Church, (page 56,) is inserted here:]

St. Mary's Church, Hillsboro', is a remarkable illustration of what can be done in a new field, by faithful and well-directed effort. Late in the year 1853 services were commenced, and the parish was organized under the ministry of the Rev. N. H. Schenck. Now we have to rejoice over a beautiful edifice, consecrated to the service of Almighty God; and over a congregation which we trust has a prospect not merely of permanence, but of *growth*.

*Hudson, Christ . . . . . Rev. T. B. Fairchild.*

Baptisms—infant, 3; marriages, 4; burials, 5; communicants—last reported, 54; increased—by admission, 1; by transfer, 5; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 6; by discipline, 4; present number, 49.

Sunday School—children, 25; teachers, 7; catechised 10 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$20; Contingent fund, \$5; Domestic Missions, \$8; diocesan, \$10; Sunday School, \$15; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, \$6; Church improvements, \$100; incidentals, \$40—Total, \$204.

*Huron, Christ . . . . . Rev. S. Marks.*

Baptisms—infant, 3; adult, 2; confirmations, 5; marriages, 10; burials, 28; communicants—last reported, 26; increased—by admission, 4; by transfer, 2; diminished—by removal, 3; present number, 29.

Communion alms, \$13.

Sunday School—children, 40; teachers, 6; I preach to them monthly.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$4; Contingent fund, \$2; Diocesan Missions, \$12; Sunday School, \$10—Total, \$28.

Besides supplying my own parish, I have given services to Milan, Vermillion, and Port Clinton. The two latter places are new ground, and the people are very desirous for the ministrations of our Church. The condition of things in my parish has somewhat improved during the past year.

*Ironton, Christ . . . . . Rev. W. C. French.*

Baptisms—infant, 9; adult, 4; confirmations, 7; marriages, 2; burials, 3; communicants—last reported, 8; increased—by admission, 9; by transfer, 18; removed, 1; present number, 35.

Communion alms, \$38.40.

Sunday School—children, 10; teachers, 2; catechised every Sunday.

**Contributions**—for Bishop's salary, \$3; Contingent fund, \$2; Foreign Missions, \$10.15; diocesan, \$12.23; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$5; towards cost of chapel, \$169.85; insurance on chapel, \$5—**Total**, \$207.23.

This parish exhibits the somewhat unusual spectacle of an organization which has sprung up into full being within one year from the time when the first services were held—not, indeed, that it has become so soon self-supporting, but it is established and settled in the uninterrupted enjoyment of the services of the Church—in a chapel of its own—which has been erected and paid for during the first six months of the first missionary's labors. We have not, of course, done all this ourselves. This new field was one of such apparent promise that our generous friends abroad have freely opened their hearts to us, and given us all and more than we dared ask for. We have erected a "Tabernacle," cheap, but attractive—convenient, and not altogether unchurchlike—20 by 40, with porch, chancel, open roof—furnished with all necessary conveniences for administering the Word and Sacraments, and costing, as it stands, including fence, less than \$700. Of this sum, we are indebted to friends in Cincinnati, for \$263.38; in Portsmouth, \$45; Worthington, \$8.69; Piqua, \$10; Marcus Hook, Penn., \$5; New York and Brooklyn, \$160; full particulars of which may be found in the Western Episcopalian of May 2, 1856. We have erected a very humble structure, but it answers every purpose of gathering a congregation, and what is more, nothing apparently could have been effected without it. The place is so new, and living so expensive, that we should probably have abandoned the enterprize before this, but for the chapel, which has formed the nucleus around which men and women have rallied who a year ago hardly knew of the existence of such a Church as ours.

We hope our spiritual growth will at least keep pace with our material.

*Jefferson, Trinity* . . . . . Vacant.

[No Report.]

*Kingston, St. James'* . . . . . Vacant.

[No Report—See Chillicothe Report.]

*Lancaster, St. John's* . . . . . *Rev. D. Risser.*

Baptisms—infant, 1; communicants—last reported, 21; increased—by admission, 2; by transfer, 2; diminished—by removal, 4; by discipline, 2; present number, 19.

Sunday School—children, 27; teachers, 3.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$15; Contingent fund, \$5; Foreign Missions, \$15; diocesan, \$15; Sunday School, \$6; Church at Oberlin, \$5—**Total**, \$61.

Besides the number of communicants above reported as removed,

this parish has lost by removal several families, who, although not members of the Church, attended and supported it. These losses are very much felt. At present the Church is closed every alternate Sabbath. This is in consequence of an arrangement with St. Philip's, Circleville, mentioned in the report of that parish.

*Lyme, Trinity . . . . . Rev. G. S. Davis.*

Baptisms—infant, 7; confirmations, 3; marriages, 1; burials, 2; communicants—last reported, 30; admitted, 2; present number, 32. Communion alms, \$54.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$8; Contingent fund, \$2; Missions—Foreign, \$6; Domestic, \$6; Diocesan, \$15; Church building—Oberlin, \$8; Michigan, \$1; parochial purposes, \$183—Total, \$229.

The rector of Trinity Parish, Lyme, would respectfully report, that the prospects of this parish are full of hope, manifested in an increased attendance upon the services of the Church, a prompt and liberal support of the Gospel, an improved Church edifice, a more earnest heed to the Word preached. My services have been divided between Trinity, Lyme, and Monroeville—morning service at Lyme, and evening at Monroeville. This latter place was peculiarly a new field: our work that of the pioneer. The prospects here are encouraging. A parish was organized Easter Monday, 1855, and a nucleus of a Church gathered of 12 members. The interest in the work then manifested, has not abated, but rather increased. An effort to build a church is now making, with good promise of success. Twenty-three hundred dollars are now subscribed. The building will be put under contract immediately, and, if possible, will be in readiness to be consecrated in connection with the beautiful Church at Bellevue, before the meeting of the General Convention. I have given occasional services to this parish: baptised 1 infant and 1 adult, presented 4 for confirmation, and buried 1. The prospects of this parish are cheering. The little company of church people were made glad by our Bishop's visit, at which time means were raised to finish their Church. For all these cheering signs, God's Holy Name be praised.

*Madison, St. Matthew's . . . Rev. A. T. McMurphrey.*

Baptisms—infant, 1; communicants, 22.

Communion alms, \$3.25.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$8; Contingent fund, \$2; Foreign Missions, \$10; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$2—Total, \$25.25.

This parish remains stationary, and must in a great degree continue to be so, owing to the present state of the community.

*Mansfield, Grace . . . . . Vacant.*

[No Report.]

***Marietta, St. Luke's . . . . . Rev. John Boyd.***

Baptisms—infant, 4; marriages, 3; burials, 1; communicants—last reported, 75; increased—by transfer, 2; diminished—by removal, 13; present number, 64.

Communion alms, \$26.67.

Sunday School—children, 40; teachers, 8.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$15; Contingent fund, \$6; Diocesan Missions, \$54—Total, \$75.

***Marion, St. Paul's . . . . . Rev. Geo. B. Sturges.***

Baptisms—infant, 5; adult, 1; confirmations, 7; marriages, 2; burials, 2; communicants—last reported, 23; increased—by admission, 3; by transfer, 2; present number, 28.

Sunday School—children, 43; teachers, 6; catechised 8 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$8; Contingent fund, \$2; Church lot, \$600; Church building, \$2,500—Total, \$3,110.

***Massillon, St. Timothy's . . . . . Rev. E. H. Cumming.***

Baptisms—infant, 3; marriages, 6; burials, 7; communicants—last reported, 61; increased—by admission, 5; by transfer, 4; diminished—by death, 3; removal, 8; discipline, 2; present number, 57.

Sunday School—children, 100; teachers, 12; catechised monthly.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary, \$50; Contingent fund, \$10; Missions—Foreign, \$40; Diocesan, \$110; Sunday School, \$30; Am. Tract Society, about \$50—Total, \$290.

The Female Missionary Society of the parish have contributed \$45 of the sum given to Diocesan Missions.

***Maumee, St. Paul's . . . . . Rev. Darius Barker.***

Baptisms—infant, 10; adult, 2; confirmations, 8; marriages, 1; burials, 3; communicants—last reported, 29; increased—by admission, 7; by transfer, 1; removed, 5; present number, 32.

Communion alms, \$16.58.

Sunday School—children, 25; teachers, 4; catechised 10 times.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary, \$5; Contingent fund, \$2; Foreign Missions, \$5; Diocesan Missions, \$3; Sunday School, \$12—Total, \$27.

***Medina, St. Paul's . . . . . Rev. Edward Kennedy.***

Baptisms—infant, 3; adult, 1; confirmations, 4; marriages, 2; burials, 3; communicants—last reported, 111; increased—by admission, 4; by transfer, 2; diminished—by death, 2; by removal, 11; present number, 104.

Communion alms, \$21.83.

Sunday School—children, 52; teachers, 11.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary, \$30; Contingent fund, \$10; Diocesan Missions, \$20; Sunday School, \$12; by the Ladies' Society for re-casting the bell, \$30—Total, 102.

It is only since the first Sunday in Advent that the present incumbent has been in charge of the parish.

*Milan, St. Luke's* . . . . . Vacant  
[No Report.]

*Mill Creek, St. Mark's* . . . . . Vacant  
[No Report.]

*Mount Vernon, St. Paul's* . . . . Rev. J. Rice Taylor.

Baptisms—infant, 2; adult, 11; confirmations, 25; marriages, 1; burials, 8; communicants—last reported, 118; increased—by admission, 25; by transfer, 20; removed, 7; present number, 158.

Communion alms, \$150.

Sunday School—children, 65; teachers, 16; catechised twice.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary, \$50; Contingent fund, \$7; Foreign Missions, \$50.60; Sunday School, \$5; building a church at Oberlin, \$45; repairs on the church building, \$190; contingent expenses, \$75; E. A. Strong, Agent Miss. and Ed. Com., \$19.50—Total, 348.10.

The present Rector, then residing at Gambier, was employed by the parish to supply its pulpit, from Sunday to Sunday, from the last Lord's day in April, 1855, to April 1st, 1856. He accepted a call to the Rectorship, to date from April 1st of the present year, removed from Gambier on the 17th of the same month, entered immediately upon his pastoral duties, and has been, under the Divine blessing, abundantly encouraged in his labors.

*Napoleon, St. John's* . . . . Rev. Darius Barker.

Baptisms—infant, 10; adult, 4; confirmations, 8; communicants, 10.

*Newark, Trinity* . . . . Rev. H. Blackaller.

Baptisms—infant, 6; adult, 1; confirmations, 1; marriages, 8; burials, 11; communicants—last reported, 44; increased—by admission, 3; removed, 3; present number, 44.

Communion alms, \$30.10.

Sunday School—children, 80; teachers, 13; catechised every month.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary, \$20; Contingent fund, \$5; Foreign Missions, \$10; Domestic Missions, \$10; Diocesan Missions, \$20; Sunday School—raised for maps, &c., \$8.50; fitting up of Lecture Room, \$120; two new stoves for Church, \$60; new books and drapery for desk and pulpit, \$50; cost of new bell after sale of

the broken, \$180; curtains and fixtures for Church, \$24; benevolent objects in parish by ladies, \$33.50—Total, \$571.60.

Amidst afflictive scenes, including the loss by death of four most promising young ladies, the parish has been undergoing changes so important that I am led to hope, that that blessed God who so prospered its earlier ministration, has once more remembered it for good, and Trinity will continue to rise in material prosperity and Christian exemplariness.

Since the last report, the Lecture Room has been refitted, at an expense of about \$120. Two new stoves have been placed in the Church, costing \$60. The reading desk and pulpit have been covered with new drapery and supplied with a beautiful set of books, at a cost of \$45; and the windows have been curtained, at a cost of \$24. The excellent toned bell of the Church was cracked some months since, but a new one is on its way from Troy, N. Y., weighing about 1200 weight, and costing, after deducting the price for which the old sells, about \$175.

To bring the parish into some systematic and regular mode of aiding the Missionary operations of the Church, I succeeded last Advent in raising, on the plan of weekly subscriptions, of from one to ten cents, payable quarterly, the sum of \$80 per annum, which I hope by another year will be \$100. In addition to this, the Sunday School classes have been formed into missionary auxiliaries—as in many Churches now—with appropriate names, and will bring their annual contributions, for the African mission, on the Christmas anniversary. The Sunday School continues in a flourishing condition. The social meeting on Wednesday eve affords much encouragement. Although there are at present no decided evidences of deep seriousness in the unconverted mind, and a discouraging indifference among the communicants of the Church, I trust, in the mercy of God, that the important changes which have taken place, and are still taking place, may be regarded as most hopeful signs of a speedy spiritual blessing on this portion of his heritage.

Forty numbers of the Parish Visitor are taken in the parish; and 50 of the Carrier Dove are distributed in the Sunday School, besides 20 of the Youth's Penny Gazette.

*Newton Falls, St. Mark's . . . . . Vacant.*

[No Report.]

*Norwalk, St. Paul's . . . . Rev. G. Watson, D.D.*

Baptisms—infant, 3; confirmations, 2; marriages, 6; burials, 4; communicants—last reported, 64; increased—by admission, 2; by transfer, 4; diminished—by death, 2; by removal, 4; present number, 64.

Communion alms, \$127.09.

Sunday School—children, 35; teachers, 6; catechised 12 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$35; Contingent fund, \$10; Foreign Missions, \$23; domestic, \$13; diocesan, \$34; Sunday

School, \$24.66; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., \$15; Church at Oberlin, \$31; Church at Bellevue, Iowa, \$10; parochial incidental expenses, \$77.43—Total, \$273.09.

*Oberlin, Christ . . . . . Rev. F. Granger.*

Communicants, 14.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$5; Contingent fund, \$2.

I have preached in Oberlin very little during the past year. Nearly all the time I could devote to the interests of this parish, being required in efforts to obtain aid from abroad, for building our proposed church.

We have a very excellent design for a brick church, to seat between 300 and 400 persons, furnished by Mr. Frank Wills, of New York, which our building committee has resolved to carry out as fast as the state of our finances will allow. The quarrying of the stone for the foundation is now in progress, and all the brick is contracted for, and partly delivered on the site. A large portion of the lumber and other building material is also contracted for, and if the *unpaid pledges* for building the church are promptly redeemed, it may be speedily completed. If not, the work *must necessarily be delayed*. But we do hope and pray that this will not be allowed; for such is the present need of another place of worship in Oberlin, that if we do not furnish it, somebody else will, and that too at no distant day.

*Painesville, St. James' . . . . . Rev. Alanson Phelps.*

Baptisms—infant, 1; marriages, 5; burials, 5; communicants—last reported, 67; increased—by transfer, 12; removed, 8; dropped, 4; present number, 67.

Communion alms, \$38.53.

Sunday School—children, 48; teachers, 7.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$15; Contingent fund, \$6; Diocesan Missions, \$22; Sunday School, \$18; Wid. and Orph. Soc., \$13; parish, \$300; poor of the parish, \$17.85—Total, \$373.85.

*Peninsula, Bethel . . . . . Rev. H. Hollis.*

Burials, 4; communicants—last reported, 6; increased—by admission, 2; by transfer, 2; diminished—by removal, 1; by discipline, 1; present number, 8.

Sunday School—children, 35; teachers, 5.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$3; Contingent fund, \$1; Diocesan Missions, \$2; Sunday School, 75 cts.; Tract distrib., 93 cts.—Total, \$7.68.

When I came here I found the parish almost extinct; the church and the parsonage much out of repair; and but one male communicant. There has been some improvement in a better attendance upon public worship, fresh zeal, and a *real* beginning, by the ladies, in repairing the church. But it is strictly Missionary ground.

*Penfield, Christ* . . . . . *Rev. F. Granger.*

Communicants, same as last year, 11.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$2; Contingent fund, \$1.

There is a class of 12 in the church catechism instructed by the Senior Warden. This parish has had services, but very irregular, during the past year. It is still very small, nevertheless it has exerted a wholesome and much needed influence upon the community, and its establishment has not been in vain.

*Perry, St. Matthew's* . . . . . *Rev. A. Blake.*

[No Report.]

*Piqua, St. James'* . . . . . *Rev. C. W. Fitch.*

Baptisms—infant, 6; adult, 4; confirmations, 5; marriages, 5; burials, 8; communicants—last reported, 68; increased—by admission, 6; by transfer, 1; diminished—by death, 2; by removal, 3; present number, 70.

Communion alms, \$25.74.

Sunday School—children, 65; teachers, 10.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$60; Contingent fund, \$12; Foreign Missions, \$21; Diocesan Missions, \$25; Sunday School, \$12.87; Wid. and Orph. Soc., \$23; Bible Soc., \$42.50; Norfolk Orphans, \$20; Prayer books, \$6.35; Church extension, Oberlin, \$76; Church extension, Ironton, \$10; other missionary purposes, \$25; gas fixtures and other parochial purposes, \$556.77.

The Bible class is prosperous, and the condition of the parish, healthy.

*Pomeroy, Grace* . . . . . Vacant.

[No Report.]

*Portsmouth, All Saints'* . . . . . *Rev. E. Burr, D.D.*

Baptisms—infant, 23; adult, 3; confirmations, 14; marriages, 8; burials, 12; communicants—last reported, 170; increased—by admission, 10; by transfer, 6; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 11; by discipline, 2; present number, 172.

Communion alms, \$83.71.

Sunday School—children, 96; teachers, 19; catechised 20 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$80; Contingent fund, \$12; Foreign Missions, \$40; Domestic Missions, \$30; Diocesan Missions, \$193.82; Wid. and Orph. Soc., \$10; Church in Ironton, \$47; Church in Oregon, \$30; Am. Bible Soc., \$30; Am. S. S. Union, \$20; for the poor, \$93; several charities, \$15.60—Total, \$601.42.

*Rome, St. Peter's* . . . . . *Rev. John Hall.*

[See his Report below.]

*Sandusky, Grace . . . Rev. S. A. Bronson, D.D.*

Baptisms—infant, 13; marriages, 4; burials, 9; communicants—last reported, 105; increased—by admission, 2; by transfer, 2; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 4; present number, 104.

Communion alms, \$137.65.

Sunday School—children, 100; teachers, 10.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$70; Contingent fund, \$10; expended in the parish mission, \$94.90; S. School, \$135; Widows' and Orphans' Soc., \$8.50—Total, \$367.10.

*Springfield, Christ . . . Rev. Dr. Brooke & C. Robbins.*

Baptisms—infant, 2; confirmations, 3; marriages, 2; burials, 3; communicants—last reported, 68; increased—by admission, 3; by transfer, 6; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 7; present number, 63.

Communion alms, \$50.80.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary, and Contingent fund, 25; Foreign Missions, \$38; Diocesan Missions, \$33; Sunday School, \$4; Bible Society, \$36; Church at Oberlin, \$20; other objects, \$10.

The assistant minister has aided regularly in the Sunday services; and besides attending to the duties of his school, has, by request, administered the Communion once in Dayton, and once in Urbana. He has also held services, and preached when occasion offered.

*St. Clairsville, St. Thomas' . . . Vacant.*

[No Report.]

*Steubenville, St. Paul's . . . Rev. Intrepid Morse.*

Baptisms—infant, 17; marriages, 7; burials, 10; communicants—last reported, 156; increased—by admission, 5; by transfer, 5; diminished—by death, 3; by removal, 15; by discipline, 2; present number, 146.

Communion alms, \$79.98.

Sunday School—children, 75; teachers, 10; catechised 35 times.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary, \$65; Contingent fund, \$12; Foreign Missions, \$25; Domestic Missions, \$25; Diocesan Missions, \$22.25; Sunday School, \$20; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$8; beneficiary at Gambier (in part) \$15.50—Total, \$323.25.

Mr. Morse has attended one funeral, married one couple, and preached twice in St. James' Church, Cross Creek, Jefferson county. Missionary aid is so greatly needed in this portion of the Diocese, that, unless soon supplied, it is feared it will come *too late*.

*Strongsville, St. Philip's . . . Rev. John Hochuly.*

Burials, 2; communicants—last reported, 20; increased—by admission, 2; diminished—by death, 2; by removal, 2; present number, 20.

Communion alms, 40 cents.

Sunday School—children, 15; teachers, 3; catechised 5 times.

For Bishop's salary, \$3.

I took charge of this parish last September. Previous to that time it had been vacant for three years. It suffered very much in the removal of several influential members.

The families being few in number, and yet being very desirous for the administration of the Word and Sacraments, many allowed themselves to be taxed for the support of preaching almost beyond their means. This must account for the want of contributions this year to what is prescribed, and to those missionary objects which commend themselves to all right-minded Christians. By faithful labor and co-operation, and looking to Him who alone can give the increase, we think we shall be able to do better for the ensuing year. Since I obtained presbyter's orders, I administered the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper once. The Sunday School is small, but the children are doing well. Average attendance, 15; teachers, 3. I catechise them every Sunday I officiate.

*Tiffin, Trinity . . . . . Rev. W. H. Cooper.*

[Regularly organized on the 12th December, 1855.]

Baptisms—infant, 8; adult, 1; confirmations, 5; burial, 1; communicants—began with 6; removed, 1; added, 6; present number, 11.

Communion alms, \$39.36.

Sunday School—children, 30; teachers—Rector, who always takes a class, included—6. School addressed by Rector weekly.

Contributed—for Foreign Missions, \$5.43; Domestic Missions, \$5.43; Sunday School, \$14.71; other purposes, \$18.78.

The undersigned commenced his labors in this parish, at the invitation of several prominent parishioners, in November last. As soon as possible thereafter, Wardens and Vestry were regularly chosen, and the parish has been incorporated according to law. The services and Sunday School are held in a Hall hired by the congregation for that purpose. They are generally well attended; and it is thought the prospects are good, that, with the Divine blessing, this may eventually become an able parish.

The brethren are blessed with unanimity. We much need a Church edifice, but I greatly fear it will not be found practicable to build, as I had hoped, this season. Could we but induce those who are unattached to any communion, to cast in their lot with us, there would be no difficulty in the matter. It seems important that this Mission should be sustained long enough to give it a fair trial. We hope, during the ensuing half year, to cast in our mite towards the local objects of the Diocese.

*Toledo, Trinity . . . . . Rev. H. B. Walbridge.*

[From last Report—Sept. 1854—to June, 1856.]

Baptisms—infant, 29; adult, 1; confirmations, 18; marriages, 7; burials, 17; communicants—last reported, 98; increased—by admis-

sion, 18; by transfer, 4; diminished—by death, 2; by removal, 18; present number, 100.

Communion alms, \$103.

Sunday School—children, 65; teachers, 12.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary, \$110; Contingent fund, \$18; Domestic Missions, \$28; Sunday School, \$22.50; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$13; Lucas County Bible Society, \$30; Trinity Church Widows' and Orphans' Asylum, about \$650.

The large amount contributed in this parish, during the last year, for the support of the Parish Asylum for Widows and Orphans, is our only apology for the smallness of the amount contributed to the support of Church Missions. By means of this asylum, we have provided for many children that would otherwise have fallen into the hands of the Romanists; and I trust, for the good it *has* done, and *may* do, it will continue to receive the good will and patronage of the members of the Church.

*Troy, Trinity . . . . . Vacant.*

Baptisms—infant, 3; communicants—added by transfer, 1; removed, 7; present number, 25.

Sunday School—children, 40; teachers, 7.

Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$2.

The Rev. James Trimble resigned his charge of this parish soon after the meeting of the last Convention, since which time we have been without the regular stated services of a Minister. We have had lay reading and lectures the last few months, and the Rev. C. W. Fitch has held service and administered the Communion twice.

ASA COLEMAN, *Sen. Warden.*

*Unionville, St. Michael's . . . . . Rev. John Hall.*

[See his Report below.]

*Urbana, Epiphany . . . . . Vacant.*

Confirmations, 1; communicants—last reported, 23; present number, 28.

Communion alms, \$6.50.

Sunday School—children, 25; teachers, 4.

Contributed—for Bishop's salary \$8; Contingent fund, \$2.

The Church was closed for more than one year prior to the first of January last. Since that time we have had service every other Sunday, by a lay reader. The Communion has been administered twice, by neighboring clergymen. The Sunday School has been reorganized within a few weeks past, and hopes are entertained of the future prosperity of the parish.

*Wakeman, St. John's . . . . . Vacant.*

[No Report.]

*Warren, Christ . . . . . Rev. J. E. Ryan.*

Baptisms—infant, 3; burials, 5; communicants—last reported, 48; increased—by transfer, 3; present number, 31.

Communion alms, \$21.40.

Sunday School—children, 40; teachers, 6; catechised 6 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$12; Contingent fund, \$3; Foreign Missions, \$6; Diocesan Missions, \$10; Sunday School, \$25; improvements in and about the Church edifice, by the ladies of the parish, \$155; weekly offerings, for current expenses, \$50—Total, \$261.

I entered upon the duties of this parish last October, and found that the number of communicants had greatly diminished since the last report of my predecessor. During the time the parish was without pastoral care, it suffered very much from removals. Many of the most influential families removed to Cleveland, and other cities.

I have reported thirty-one communicants, but not more than twenty reside in Warren. The others reside at such a distance from the Church, as to prevent them from attending its services.

Our regular services are well attended, and marked attention is given to the preached Word.

The Rector here would say, that great kindness has been manifested toward him and his family. Many substantial marks of esteem have been received from our loving and beloved people. May the Lord reward them for the same tenfold in this life, and in the world to come with life everlasting.

*Windsor, Christ . . . . . Vacant.*

[No Report.]

*Wooster, St. James' . . . . . Rev. R. K. Nash.*

Baptisms—infant, 1; marriages, 5; communicants—last reported, 38; removed, 7; present number, 31.

Communion alms, \$12.16.

Sunday School—children, 20; teachers, 4.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$3; Diocesan Missions, \$19.50; Bethel cause, \$2.42—Total, \$47.08.

The rector of this parish has continued, during the year as heretofore, to officiate every third Sabbath in Ashland, where we have now eight communicants—one having removed. Our people there still remain hopeful that a better day is coming. They are not faint-hearted, but few.

*Worthington, St. John's . . . . . Rev. H. F. Roberts.*

Baptisms—infant, 14; adult, 7; confirmations, 15; marriages, 4: burials, 6; communicants—last reported, 54; increased—by admission, 16; by transfer, 1; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 9; present number, 61.

Communion alms, \$26.25.

Sunday School—children, 40; teachers, 10. The rector gives constant personal attention to the Sunday School.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$10; Contingent fund, \$3; Foreign Missions, \$5; Domestic Missions, \$5; Diocesan Missions, \$16.19; Sunday School, \$14.69; parish purposes, \$177.23—Total, \$231.11.

A Bible class has been in operation since September last, in which the youth of the village have pretty generally participated, and become deeply interested; and which, we hope, will be an instrument of much good. The class contributed \$3.55 for Diocesan Missions. Besides the services connected with St. John's parish, there have been regular services twice a month, on the west side of the Olentangy river, where a parish has been formed by the name of Christ Church. The congregation is large, and the prospect for usefulness appears to be encouraging. The rector has also been engaged in a Missionary enterprise in the town of London, capital of Madison county, where services have been held twice a day on the third Sunday in the month, and the congregation is large. A Sunday School was established early last fall with unusual promise of success, but the sickness of the Superintendent, and the severity of the winter, have very much interfered with its progress. The average attendance at present is about 25 scholars and 4 teachers.

*Xenia, Christ . . . . . Vacant.*

Baptisms—infant, 2; communicants—last reported, 11; increased—by transfer, 4; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 6; present number, 8.

Communion alms, \$2.33.

Sunday School—children, 15; teachers, 4; catechised 4 times.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$5; Contingent fund, \$2; Bishop White Prayer Book Society, \$3.62—Total, \$12.95.

This report embraces only the time from the 8th of June to the 1st of Oct. 1855. When my engagement expired, the vestry determined not to continue the effort to build up the church, owing to discouraging circumstances. During the summer, I preached every Sunday afternoon, holding morning service at the Yellow Springs.

PETER NEFF, JR., *late Rector.*

*Yellow Springs, Christ . . . . . Vacant.*

Communicants—last reported, 9; increased—by transfer, 3; diminished—by death, 2; by removal, 8; present number, 2.

Communion alms, \$3.75.

Sunday School—children, 12; teachers, 4; catechised 4 times. The school being continued during the summer months was better attended, and the minister was enabled to participate in its exercises and in addition to hold a Bible class. The school was discontinued in November, 1855.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$5; Contingent fund, \$1; S. School, \$1.96; American Bible Society, \$11.51; Bp. White Prayer Book Society, \$6.38; S. W. Convocation, \$4.42; Parochial purposes, \$26.10 (including communion alms and S. School, \$31.81)—Total, \$60.12.

My engagement with this church expired Oct. 1, 1855; the congregation was too feeble to continue a rector. I remained till the last of November, performing ministerial duties, when it was judged inexpedient to continue. During the summer I preached in the morning at Yellow Springs, and in the afternoon at Xenia.

PETER NEFF, JR., *late Rector.*

**Zanesville, St. James' . . . . . Rev. J. W. Claxton.**

Baptisms—infant, 13; adult, 3; confirmations, 15; burials, 8; marriages, 9; communicants—last reported, 151; increased—by admission, 16; by transfer, 11; diminished—by death, 1; by removal, 19; present number, 158.

Communion alms, \$86.36.

Sunday School—children, 175; teachers, 25; catechised twice.

Contributions—for Bishop's salary, \$100; Contingent fund, \$14; Foreign Missions, \$118.26; Domestic Missions, \$49; Diocesan Missions for Oberlin church, \$100; Sunday School, \$56.72; sufferers at Norfolk and Portsmouth, \$93.50; city and parish poor, \$45; expenses of Central Association, \$34.35; Bible and Prayer book societies, \$20.17; repairs of church building, \$325; Sunday Schools, to support a student at Bexley Hall, \$54.10.

The present rector of this parish accepted a call to become its Assistant Minister, in July, 1855. When Rev. G. W. Du Bois resigned the rectorship, on account of ill-health, in January, 1856, the undersigned received a call to become his successor. With some hesitation the important charge was accepted, and its responsibilities undertaken solely in the strength of the grace which is in Christ Jesus. It will be remarked, that the major portion of the year, included in the above report, fell within the period of Rev. Mr. Du Bois' rectorship. His faithful labors happily prepared the way for his successor.

*Rev. Norman Badger—*

*Rev. Edward C. Benson—*

*Rev. Alfred Blake—*

[No Reports.]

*Rev. Johnson A. Bryaton—*

Respectfully reports that, during the past year, he has been engaged as before in the duties of conducting a school of Domestic Education—officiating also three or four times in St. James' Church, Painesville, in aid of the rector.

*Rev. John L. Bryan—*

Reports to the Bishop of the Diocese: That, soon after the last Convention, in June, 1855, at Zanesville, he was visited with a distressing attack of the erysipelas, which continued through most of the summer and fall, so as to unfit him to discharge any ministerial duty. The severity of the winter detained him at home again; in the spring he was disabled by a rheumatic affection in one of his limbs, depriving him of the privilege of attending Church. He is now, however, thankful to a kind Providence that he has so far recovered his strength as to be able to render some little aid to the worthy Rector of St. Luke's, in preaching and assisting at the administration of the holy communion. In conclusion, he would now, as heretofore, state his desire to labor as ability may be given, in some destitute part of the Diocese.

*Rev. George W. Du Bois—**Rev. Joshua T. Eaton—**Rev. William Granville—*

[No Reports.]

*Rev. Richard Gray.—*

I have been fully engaged since the last Convention in the duties of City Missionary in Cincinnati. Although I have given upwards of eight hundred dollars to the poor, my time has not been devoted to mere alms giving. There is a considerable number of poor Church people, chiefly emigrants, continually coming to the city. These I have endeavored to aid, as far as lay in my power, by giving them advice and sympathy, by obtaining employment for them, and by occasionally assisting them with money. I have met with many pleasing incidents, that have proved my labors were not altogether in vain. Besides these constant labors, every day of the week, I have preached as often as my strength would allow, on the Lord's day. The baptisms, marriages and funerals I have attended are included in the report from Christ Church.

*Rev. William Granville—**Rev. P. H. Greenleaf, D.D.—*

[No Reports.]

*Rev. John Hall—*

I would respectfully present my annual report to the Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio, as follows:

In ST. PETER'S, ROME—I have spent 16 Sundays in performing as follows: 27 services, 27 sermons, and in Orwell 3 services, 1 lecture and 2 sermons; and also in Rome, administered the holy communion 9 times; baptisms, adult 1, children 4; communicants, as last

reported, so now, 13 ; collections at communions, \$21.44 ; marriage, 1 ; many catechetical lectures, and parochial visits ; compensation, my board and cash \$7.19 and expenses paid.

In St. MICHAEL'S, UNIONVILLE.—13 Sundays in the Church, with 31 services, 31 sermons and holy communion 12 times ; 11 Sundays at Rogers' Corners, with 19 services and 19 sermons ; catechised the children sundry times at their homes ; made very many parochial visits ; baptisms, 1 adult, 6 children ; communicants, last reported, 20 ; gained by transfer 1, by admission 2, present number 22 ; burials 2 ; collected at communion and supplementary, \$59.55 ; compensation, my board, traveling expenses paid, and cash, \$52.26.

In TRINITY, CLEVELAND—1 Sunday, 1 service, 1 sermon ; compensation, expenses paid, and cash, \$16.02.

In St. PETER'S, ASHTABULA—assisted the Rector 8 Sundays, with 12 services, 7 sermons, and at 6 communions, besides myself alone giving holy communion once in Church and 3 times to the sick ; baptized 1 infant ; received of Rector and individuals in this parish, \$38 ; the Bishop kindly sent me \$50. All which is respectfully submitted.

*Rev. H. T. Heister.—*

*Rev. Charles F. Lewis.—*

[No Reports.]

*Rev. Benjamin K. Maltby.—*

During the past year my circumstances have been very unfavorable to the performance of much pulpit labor, and I must therefore send a very meager report, so far as frequency of preaching is concerned. First, I have been prevented from accepting the offer of any situation giving me a pastoral relation to a parish, and have therefore performed no regular parish labors. Secondly, almost incessant traveling has rendered it difficult for me to perform very acceptably a preacher's work, in Churches where my Sabbaths have fallen, in my travels. I have, nevertheless, frequently accepted invitations of ministerial brethren to aid in Sabbath and week-day services, and also to preach.

I visited Euclid parish one Sabbath, and preached for them. I preached a few sermons in Grace Church, Cleveland. I preached also some five sermons in Warren ; three in Wheeling, Va. ; one in Columbus ; and a few week-night lectures in sundry places. In most places my stay has been transient, and circumstances unfavorable for rendering any service in this respect. I regret my inability to be present at the Convention, but circumstances are very unfavorable.

*Rev. Joseph Muenscher, D.D.—*

*Rev. Peter Neff, Jr.—*

*Rev. Charles Purriance.—*

[No Reports.]

*Rev. W. B. Rally.—*

Respectfully reports the statistics of the German Mission, Cincinnati, as follows:

Baptisms—infant, 21; confirmed, 17; communicants, 43; added—by confirmation, 17; present number, 60. Marriages, 3; burials, 8. Local circumstances being unfavorable to the establishment of a Sunday School, the Missionary has catechised the children connected with the Mission, openly in the Church, on every alternate Sunday. Number of children, 40. Collected—for Domestic Missions, \$45; current expenses, \$9.10. The Missionary has distributed many books, tracts, and articles of clothing, kindly furnished him by friends of the Mission. The French afternoon service, attempted during Advent for the benefit of the few French Protestant residents of the city, has been discontinued, to the regret of the Missionary, owing to the difficulty of obtaining an eligible place of worship, and to the pressure of other duties.

Mr. R. has also occasionally officiated for the vacant parish of the Church of the Advent, Walnut Hills.

*Rev. Alvah Sanford.—*

[No Report.]

*Rev. Thomas M. Smith, D.D.—*

Reports to the Bishop that, in addition to his official duties in the Theological Seminary, he has regularly officiated, in his turn, in Rosse Chapel, until the time when our present Rector took charge of the parish; he has also conducted a weekly lecture. He has officiated twice in St. Paul's, Mount Vernon, and once in the Lutheran meeting house at Mount Zion. He has administered the Communion ten times, baptized two infants, and officiated at two funerals. He has also recently taken charge of a Bible class in Kenyon College.

*Rev. E. A. Strong.—*

The General Missionary, and Agent of the Committee on Missions and Education, respectfully reports, that after removing his family to Gambier, according to the wish of the committee, in June last, and taking that relaxation which extreme exhaustion and the heat of the summer demanded, he was able to visit only a few vacant parishes, and other destitute points in the Diocese, before engaging, in earnest, in the great work of Education assumed by the committee.

He has been absent from the State about six months, visiting young men who had been recommended to us, and securing the assistance necessary for those judged deserving, and for such as had already commenced their preparation with us for the ministry. Since his connection with the committee, ninety-two have applied, or been thus recommended; and of about fifty now at Kenyon who look to the work, thirty-three receive aid, or have been more or less directly provided for through our efforts. Assistance has also been pledged

to quite a number who have agreed to be with us by the beginning of the next term.

The Agent would here, with the warmest gratitude, acknowledge such a degree of Christian kindness and personal favors, every where received, and such a manifestation of interest, both in and out of this Diocese, in regard to our work, as he is *wholly unable to express*. And he can but rejoice in the evident tokens of God's blessing on our humble efforts, in behalf of the least of those whom the Saviour is now calling to preach his Gospel to a dying world.

More than \$4,200 have been received, through him, for current expenses, besides \$1,363.50 for perpetual free tuition, in Kenyon College, to those preparing for the ministry. Our thanks are especially due to those who have pledged their noble contributions, amounting to several thousand dollars, for the coming year, and even for a series of years.

*Rev. Spencer Wall.—*

*Rev. Abraham Wheeler.—*

[No Reports.]

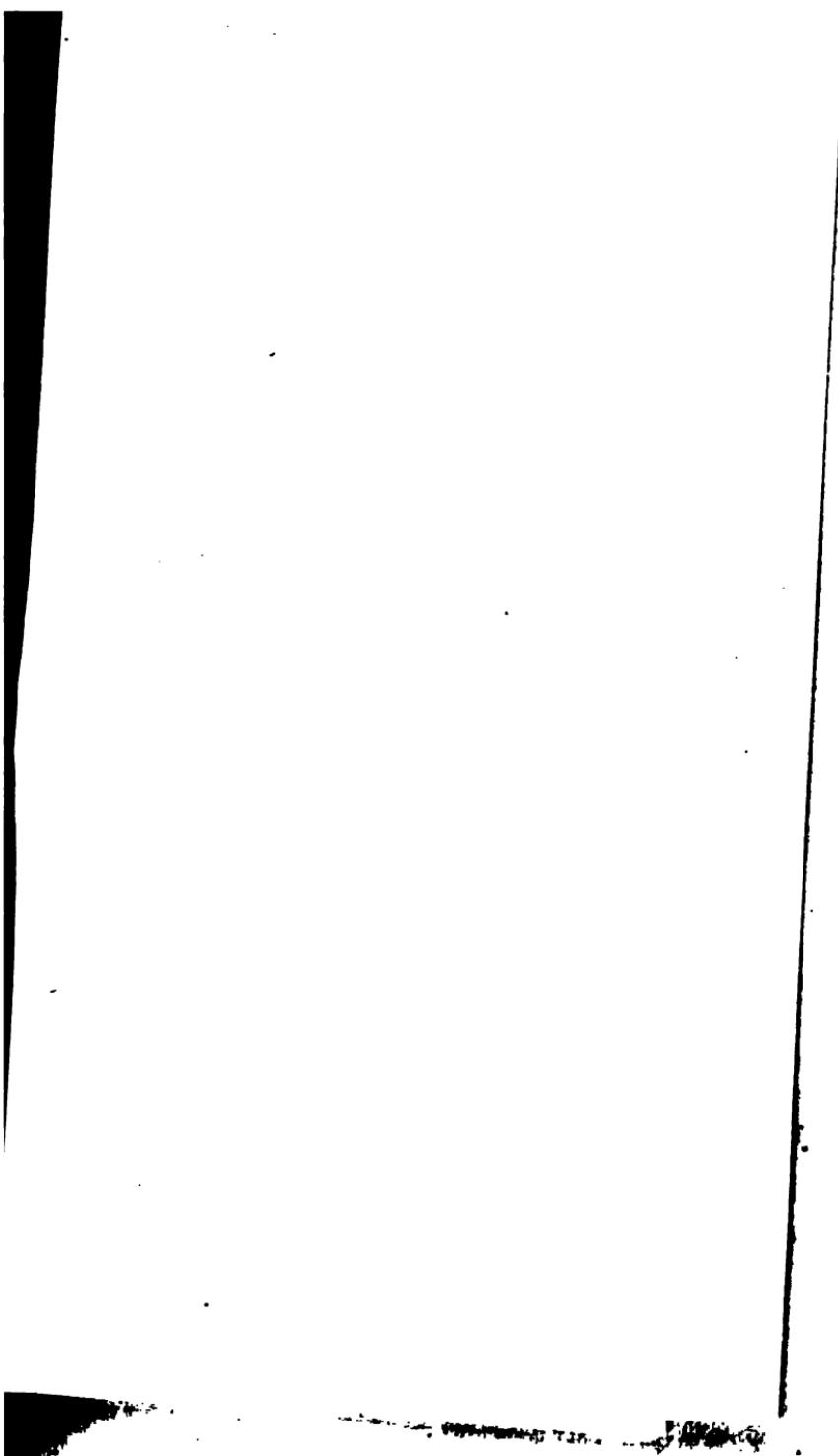
*Rev. M. T. C. Wing, D.D.—*

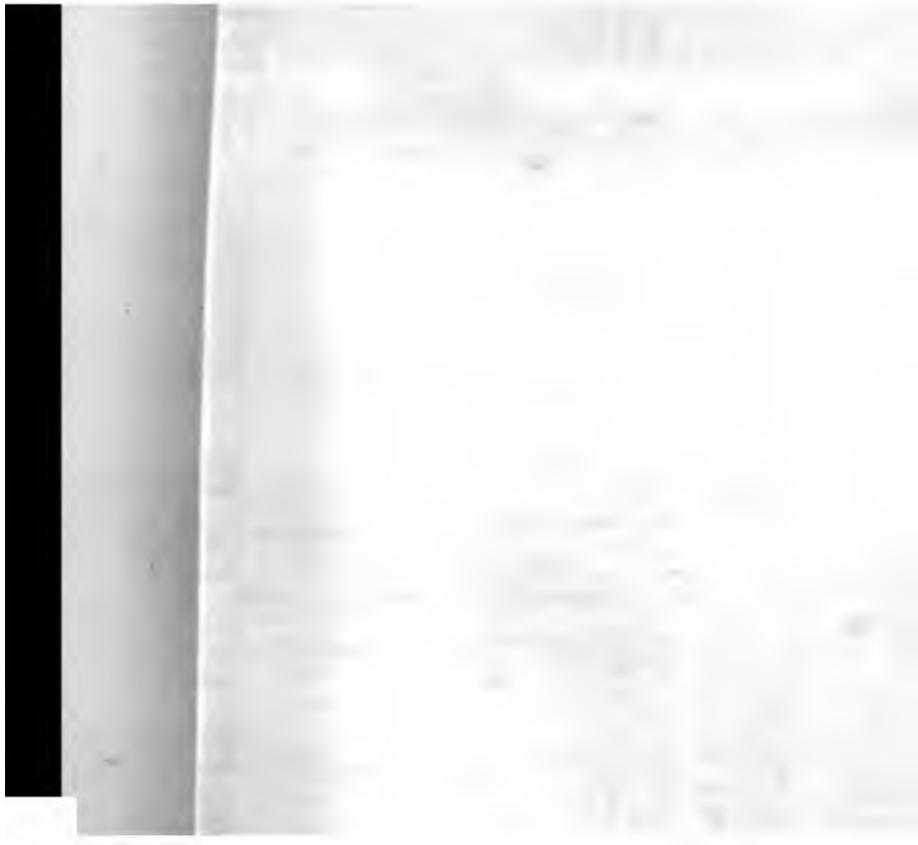
Has little to report, except the duties discharged in connection with his agency and professorship in the Theological Seminary. In the early part of the year, he preached in his turn a few times in Rosse chapel, and performed one baptism.

*Rev. Edward Winthrop—*

Reports to the Bishop that he has continued to teach, during the past Conventional year, a select family school for young ladies at his residence, Norwalk, Huron county, O., and has assisted the Rev. Dr. George Watson in the administration of the Holy Communion.







# CONSTITUTION AND CANONS

OF

## THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

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### CONSTITUTION.

#### ARTICLE I.

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to and adopts the constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

#### ARTICLE II.

There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the first Wednesday after the 20th of September in each year, unless otherwise ordered by a previous Convention. But in case an epidemic disease shall prevail at the place appointed, or other like cause shall render it obviously expedient, the Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall appoint some other place, and send special notice of the same to every minister and vestry in the Diocese, at least three weeks before the time of meeting. The Bishop, with such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall at any time be duly assembled in Convention, shall constitute a quorum, provided, that in a case of vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the absence of the Bishop, such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall duly assemble, constitute a quorum, but in the latter case only so far as to adjourn to the next day, when, if the absence of the Bishop continue, the business of the Convention shall proceed.

#### ARTICLE III.

Any parish may be suspended from the right of representation in the Convention, or its connection with the Diocese wholly dissolved, by a vote of two-thirds of each Order, whenever the same shall be deemed conducive to the interests of the Church.

#### ARTICLE IV.

The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen. The Bishop, and every Minister of this Diocese canonically in charge of a congregation in union with this Convention—or employed as a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese—or regularly engaged as an instructor in any incorporated seminary of learning, shall be members of this Convention, provided that they can show that they have been at least six months in the Diocese as above required; provided also, that no clergyman who has been a member of this Convention shall lose his seat therein, by reason of age or of bodily infirmities disqualifying him for his previous position. Each regularly organized church or congregation in canonical union with this Church, shall send to the Convention one or more lay-delegates, not exceeding three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united under one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. When a vote by Orders is called for, the delegates of each congregation or church, shall be entitled to one vote only. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention.

#### ARTICLE V.

The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may judge it important to the good of the Church, or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the continued absence of the Bishop from the Diocese for six months, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention, and shall do so, if applied to for the purpose by any five Presbyters or Vestries of the Diocese.

#### ARTICLE VI.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, and shall open, or cause it to be opened with prayer. If there be no Bishop present, the Convention shall be called to order by the Secretary, and shall elect a President from among the Presbyters.

**ARTICLE VII.**

**At every Annual Convention, after a *viva voce* nomination, a Secretary shall be chosen, who shall remain in office until the next Annual Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes, and record all proceedings of the Convention; to attest its public acts; preserve its records; notify the parishes of the times and places of all stated and special Conventions, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.**

**ARTICLE VIII.**

Officers of the Convention, Delegates to the General Convention, and members of the Standing Committee, shall be elected by joint ballot of the clergy and laity, and a majority of votes shall be required for an election. In case of a failure or omission to elect any officers or annual Committee, the persons last elected shall continue to serve until others be chosen. Elections by ballot may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention.

**ARTICLE IX.**

The Standing Committee shall be chosen at each Annual Convention, and shall consist of three Clergymen who are Presbyters, and of three Laymen who are communicants in some church in the Diocese. The officers of said Committee required by the IVth Canon of the General Convention, shall be appointed at their first meeting. Any three of the Committee, the whole being summoned, provided one be a Presbyter, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business when convened at the request of the Bishop. At all other meetings a majority of the members shall be necessary to a quorum. It shall be the duty of the secretary of this committee to keep a faithful record of all the proceedings in a book provided for that purpose, to preserve the originals of all papers or letters addressed to the committee, to attest their acts, and to deliver to his successor all books and papers which in virtue of his office have been committed to him. The minutes of the committee, and all papers in their hands relative to the Church, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention. Vacancies occurring in the committee shall be supplied by vote of the remaining members.

**ARTICLE X.**

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an Annual Convention—or in a Special Convention called for that purpose at least sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the secretary of the Standing Committee to every clergyman and vestry of the Diocese. The election shall be conducted as follows: The clergy shall vote by ballot for some suitable person for the office of Bishop, and a majority of the clergy present shall determine the choice. A nomination thus made shall be communicated to the lay-members, who shall proceed to vote by ballot whether to receive or reject it, a majority of whom shall be necessary to confirm the election.

**ARTICLE XI.**

The clergy and lay-delegates in Convention shall deliberate in one body, and shall vote as such on all questions not otherwise provided for; except when a vote by Orders is called for by five members. In such case the concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to give validity to a measure—and on every question the votes of a majority of those present, or, if required by five, the votes of a majority of those present of the two Orders, respectively, shall decide.

**ARTICLE XII.**

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A proposition for amendment shall be laid before the Convention in writing, and if approved, shall lie over till the next Annual Convention, and if then approved by two-thirds of the two Orders voting separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution thus altered shall be obligatory.

**CANONS.****CANON I.****OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN NOT BEING A BISHOP.**

**SECT. 1. Whenever any Presbyter or Deacon of the Diocese shall be thought to be guilty of any misconduct for which, according to Canon XXXVII of the**

**General Convention**, he is liable to be tried, application shall be made in writing with the name of every one engaged in the application subscribed, to the Standing Committee, and if it appear to them that the evidence is sufficient to demand a trial, they shall forthwith present the clergyman to the Bishop, accordingly; the presentment being made in writing, and specifying with as much accuracy as possible, the offence or offences, with particulars of time, place and circumstances; and every clergyman of this Diocese may for himself request of the Standing Committee the inquiry provided for in this section, in which case it shall be instituted and shall proceed according to the provisions of this Canon.

**SECT. 2.** Presentment being made, the Bishop shall cause a copy of the presentment to be served on the accused, and shall also nominate eight Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, provided that no member of the Standing Committee who may have joined in the presentment be included in such nomination. Out of the Presbyters so nominated, the accused shall select five, and notify their names in writing, to the Bishop, within thirty days after the serving aforesaid. And if he does not give such notification within said time, the Bishop shall select five, and the Presbyters so selected, shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time and from place to place (but always within the Diocese), as they shall think necessary.

**SECT. 3.** A written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Board shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused; and also on the Standing Committee, who by their President, or one of their number whom they may appoint for the purpose, shall prosecute the cause and present such oral or documentary evidence to substantiate the accusation as they may be able to obtain.

**SECT. 4.** If at the time of the first meeting of the Board, the whole number be not present, then those present may adjourn from time to time; and if it shall appear improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, those who do attend, being not fewer than three, shall proceed to trial, and a majority shall decide all questions and render judgment.

**SECT. 5.** If a Clergyman presented shall, before the appointment of a Board for his trial, confess the truth of the facts of which he is accused, the Bishop may immediately proceed to pass sentence; if he shall not thus confess, he shall be considered as pleading *not guilty*.

**SECT. 6.** In case a clergyman, presented and notified as above directed, shall not appear before the Board appointed for his trial, the Board may proceed as if he were present, unless they shall see fit to adjourn till another day. And if the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear before the Board, after due presentment and notification, and no sufficient reason for such neglect or refusal be given, the Board shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, and sentence of suspension from the ministry shall pass against him accordingly: but the sentence may be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months the accused shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and receive his trial; but if he shall not so tender himself, the Bishop, in view of the acts alleged in the presentment, shall proceed, if he think proper, to pass sentence of degradation from the ministry.

**SECT. 7.** At their first meeting the Board shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary who shall be from their own number or otherwise, as they determine, and before proceeding to trial they shall adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party in the trial—though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

**SECT. 8.** When the Board proceed to trial, they shall hear such evidence as may be produced—which evidence shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses; and the examination of witnesses, and all the proceedings of the trial, shall be in public, if desired by the accused.

**SECT. 9.** Application being made to the Bishop by either party, setting forth, satisfactorily, that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint some clergyman or layman to act as a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness: and the party applying as above shall give to the other party at least five days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional days' notice, exclusive of Sunday, shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the

Board, and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such commissioner may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

SECT. 10. The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively; which decision, together with the evidence and an attested record of all the proceedings, shall be delivered to the Bishop, accompanied with an opinion of the Board as to what sentence should be pronounced; whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same do not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop, if satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused; in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, including none of those who sat upon the former trial, before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

SECT. 11. If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his judgment on the decision of the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in passing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the Diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

#### CANON II.

##### OF THE VESTRY OF A CHURCH.

SECT. 1. In every church of this Diocese, after prayer, there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, and not more than ten members, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. Two of these vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens; one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish, who, in the absence of the Rector, shall preside at meetings of the Vestry. In his absence the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings, attest the public acts of the Vestry, preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish, perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents belonging to the Parish that may be in his possession.

SECT. 2. In electing a Vestry, no person shall be entitled to vote who has not signed the Articles of Parochial Association, and who is not a holder or renter of one entire pew; and when two or more persons shall hold or rent a pew, they shall be entitled jointly to one vote; nor shall any person vote in a parish of which he is not a bona fide member. In those parishes in which there are no pews held or rented, or where pews are held subject to no tax or assessment, no individual shall be entitled to vote who is not a contributor to the church to such an amount as the respective parishes shall appoint.

SECT. 3. No person shall be elected a Vestryman who is not a pewholder, or a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected, and a bona fide member thereof.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a minister and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of divine worship, and, in general, to act as helpers to the minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the gospel; it being understood, always, that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese. It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper—to collect the alms at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the Church is destitute of a minister—and while the Church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation, by occasional clerical services or by lay-reading, as the circumstances may permit. Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden; and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden, shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry. And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure.

(Parishes now incorporated are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their Articles of Association or By-laws.)

#### CANON III.

##### OF THE ADMISSION OF A CHURCH OR CONGREGATION INTO UNION WITH THE CHURCH IN THIS DIOCESE.

To enable a Church or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention

**their Articles of Association; or, if incorporated, their Charter, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated, according to law: and further that it be made to appear that such Church or Congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop—or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from a majority of the Standing Committee—that notice was given him or them, at least one month before the Convention, of the organization having taken place.**

#### CANON IV.

OF DEFUNCT PARISHES.

Whenever a Parish shall so far fail in the leading objects of its organization, as to be in the opinion of the Bishop essentially defunct, he shall signify the same to the Convention, which may proceed forthwith, by a vote of two-thirds, to dissolve the said Parish, agreeably to Article III of the Constitution.

## CANON V.

**OF ATTENDANCE ON CONVENTION, AND REQUISITES FOR THE ADMISSION OF LAY-DEPUTIES.**

**It shall be the duty of all clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every church or congregation in union with the Church in this Diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the communicants of the church or congregation to be represented, and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the Wardens, in substance as follows:—**

This is to certify that at a regular meeting of the Vestry of Church,  
held on the day of A. D., who is a communicant of good  
standing in said Church, was appointed a Lay-Delegate to represent the same in  
the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, to be  
held on the day of In the year of our Lord Signed

(Parishes already incorporated are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their articles of Incorporation or Association.)

## CANON VI.

**A LIST TO BE MADE OF THE MINISTERS IN THE DIOCESE.**

**SECT. 1.** Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall cause to be prepared a list of the ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures or Parishes or stations as Missionaries; or of the institutions of learning duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in parishes or missions, or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only,—specifying at the same time who of any class are Deacons: but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention, immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. The same shall be appended to the Journal and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

**Sect. 2.** When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in the Convention is disputed, it shall be determined according to the provisions of the IVth Article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

## CANON VII.

OF PARISH REGISTERS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

**SECT. 1.** Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all the Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, solemnized by him, or in his parish by any other Episcopal Minister: specifying the names and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of the parents and sponsors; the names of the adults baptized, and also of the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of the parties married, and of persons buried; and also the time of each rite respectively. This Register shall be kept by the minister, in a book kept for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry of the Church which he serves: which book shall be called the Parish Register, and shall be considered as a part of the records of the Parish.

**SECT. 2.** In addition to the register above named, the minister of each Parish shall keep a list of the communicants and of families within his cure, specifying the time when the former became communicants of the Church under his charge, and whether by removal from the communion of some other Church or otherwise.

**SECT. 3.** Every minister of this Diocese shall, on or before the day of every annual Convention, present or send to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the condition of the Parish, according to such form as shall be furnished by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

**CANON VIII.****OF VACANT CONGREGATIONS.**

Whenever a parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry immediately to give notice to the Bishop.

**CANON IX.****OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.**

The Convention shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, according to the provisions of the VII<sup>th</sup> Article of the Constitution, four clergymen, out of Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four laymen, who shall be in good standing as communicants in some church in union with the Diocese, to act as deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention; which deputies shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. And it shall be the duty of the deputies elect to signify to the Bishop, on some day at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Standing Committee, on notification from the Bishop, shall proceed to appoint as many clerical or lay deputies as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Diocese; and the person or persons so delegated, being furnished with the certificate of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, shall have all the rights of deputies elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of the deputies elect, above required, shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee.

**CANON X.****OF LAY READERS.**

None shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from the Standing Committee; and Lay Readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of the XII<sup>th</sup> Canon of the General Convention.

**CANON XI.****OF PREPARING A REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.**

In order to carry into effect the recommendation contained in Canon LI of the General Convention, a committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at a regular meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop a report of the state of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

**CANON XII.****OF THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.**

**SECT. 1.** In addition to the duties assigned to the Secretary of the Convention in the VI<sup>th</sup> article of the Constitution, it is made his duty to send to the minister, or in case there be no minister, to the wardens of each parish in union with the Convention, not less than four weeks before the next meeting of the Convention, a notification of the time and place of the said meeting, together with the form of a parochial report; and a form by which to certify the appointment of lay deputies, together with the assessment laid upon the parish for the expenses of the Diocese.

**SECT. 2.** He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention of this Diocese, as well as of any charge or pastoral letter recently published, and to the General Convention a certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay deputies.

**CANON XIII.****OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.**

**SECT. 1.** At every stated Convention there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and examined by a committee of the same.

**SECT. 2.** In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by a person chosen by the Standing Committee, who shall continue in office until an election is made by the Convention.

**CANON XIV.****OF MISSIONS AND EDUCATION FOR THE MINISTRY.**

**SECT. 1.** The Church of Christ being essentially a missionary institution, and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the mis-

sionary work : and the education of young men for the ministry being absolutely necessary to the furtherance of the Gospel in the same work, it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

**SECT. 2.** It shall be the duty of every minister of this Diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every member of the Church to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes, as God hath prospered him, according to the apostolic direction : 1 Cor. xvi. 1.

**SECT. 3.** There shall be elected by ballot, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and nine other members—five clerical and four lay—to be called the *Missionary Committee*; to whom shall be committed the appointment of missionaries and their stations, and the collection and appropriation of funds for missionary objects, and the general care and management of the missionary interests of the Diocese. And also a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and eight other members—four clerical and four lay—to whom shall be committed the appointment and regulation of beneficiaries, the collection and appropriation of funds therefor, and all other business belonging thereto.

**SECT. 4.** It shall be the privilege of the contributors to the *Missionary or Education cause*, to designate the particular object to which their contributions shall be applied. If no such designation be made, the contribution shall be at the disposal of the Committee to which the fund has been contributed.

**SECT. 5.** The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of these Committees, when he is present; if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

**SECT. 6.** These Committees shall each meet annually, at the place, and on the first day of the Annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournments, or on the call of two members: five attending members of the *Missionary* and four of the *Education* committee shall be a quorum, and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

**SECT. 7.** No beneficiary or missionary shall be appointed without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the same; which consent shall be entered on the minutes.

**SECT. 8.** At every annual meeting of these Committees, the Secretaries of the same shall, respectively, submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated; which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

**SECT. 9.** These Committees shall each appoint a Secretary and Treasurer. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention may be supplied by the Committee. No money shall be applied by the Treasurer but by order of the Committee.

**SECT. 10.** It shall be the duty of the above named Committees to provide for a public meeting, to be held during the annual session of the Convention of the Diocese, for the purpose of promoting the objects for which they have been constituted.

#### CANON XV.

##### OF THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

**SECT. 1.** Every minister shall, on or about the first day of March of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

**SECT. 2.** On or about the first day of September of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector, or otherwise, solicit from every householder or pewholder who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

**SECT. 3.** Out of the sum so received the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of two thousand dollars per annum; the sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

#### CANON XVI.

##### OF LAY DISCIPLINE.

**SECT. 1.** Any communicant who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the rector, may be suspended from the communion.

**SECT. 2.** Upon the application of any communicant not under ecclesiastical censure, to the minister of his parish, or in case there be no minister, to the senior, or in his absence to the junior warden, for that purpose, it shall be the duty of such minister or warden to give such applicant a certificate of good standing as a communicant. And no communicant of one parish shall be admitted to record as a communicant in any other, without producing satisfactory testimonials of being a communicant in good standing, to the minister of the parish with which he or she may wish to unite. But in case such minister or warden shall, in consequence of the applicant being under censure, refuse to give such certificate, he shall give to the applicant the reasons for his refusal in writing.

#### CANON XVII.

##### OF CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the con-

**tingent expenses of the Church.** The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention shall be applied to the following objects:—1. To defray the traveling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the postages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the Diocese by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the Journals of the Convention, and such other documents as may be ordered by the Convention. 5. To pay the traveling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding fifty dollars to each delegate. 6. To pay the traveling expenses of presbyters attending ecclesiastical trials.

#### CANON XVIII.

##### OF ALTERATIONS IN THE CANONS AND ADDITIONS THERETO

No proposition to alter or add to the Canons of the Diocese shall be considered by the Convention, except at a stated meeting, and after one day's notice thereof, given in open Convention; nor (unless by unanimous consent) until it shall have been reported on by a committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case the same (unless negatived by a majority of the votes), shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

#### CANON XIX.

##### OF FORMER CANONS.

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

### FORM FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

We whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together under the name and style and title of the Parish of \_\_\_\_\_ Church, in the township of \_\_\_\_\_ county of \_\_\_\_\_, and State of Ohio; and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and of the Diocese of Ohio.

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be called on ten days' notice, Wardens and Vestry being chosen and recorded, together with the minutes of the meeting, in a book to be thereafter kept as a parish register, a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the parish to the Bishop; which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of association, the name of the parish, with those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be taken as soon as possible to have the parish incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergymen of the Diocese, to be admitted into union therewith; for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop should be sent to the Convention, certified by the clerk of the parish.

### PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

[The following are the items which every parish, through its minister (or parish officers, if there be no minister) is required to furnish the Bishop on or before the first day of each annual Convention: ]

Name of the Parish—Minister—and Wardens.

Number of infant baptisms in the parish during the year—of adult baptisms—of confirmations—marriages—burials.

Number of communicants previously reported—increased during the year, by admission—by transfer: decreased, by death—by removal—by discipline: present number.

Average number of children and teachers in Sunday School—number of times catechized by the Rector.

Amount contributed for the following or any other purposes:—Bishop's Salary—Contingent Fund—Foreign Missions—Domestic Missions—Diocesan Missions—Sunday School—Widows' and Orphans' Society.

## THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

## ACT OF INCORPORATION.

Whereas John McCorkle and Charles Hammond, a Committee appointed on behalf of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, have, by their petition to the General Assembly, represented that a Seminary for Theological Education has been established by said Convention within this State, and in order to the more convenient management of the concerns of the said Seminary, and to the permanency of its establishment in this State, have prayed that the said Seminary may be incorporated—Therefore,

**SEC. 1.** Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the Right Reverend Philander Chase, now Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, Roger Scarle, Intrepid Morse, Ezra B. Kellogg, Samuel Johnston, Bezaleel Wells, William K. Bond, John Johnston, and Charles Hammond, the present Trustees of the said Seminary, and their successors appointed in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of said Seminary, as now established, be, and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, in fact and in name, by the name of the "Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio;" and by that name shall have succession, and be capable in law of suing and being sued, defending and being defended in all courts and places, and in all manner of actions, causes and complaints whatsoever; and may have a common seal, and change the same at their discretion:—and by that name and style shall be capable in law and equity of taking and holding, by devise and otherwise, or of purchasing, holding and enjoying to them and their successors, any real estate in fee simple or otherwise, any goods, chattels and personal estate, and of selling, leasing, mortgaging or otherwise disposing of said real and personal estate, or any part thereof, as they may think proper: *Provided*, That the clear annual income of such real and personal estate, exclusive of any lands or tenements that may be occupied by the said Seminary for its accommodation, or that of its officers or professors, shall not exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars.

**SEC. 2.** That the present Trustees of said Seminary and their successors in office, under the Constitution thereof, as now established, or as the same may be hereafter altered or amended, shall have the care and management of said Seminary and of its estate and property, and shall have power from time to time, to sell or otherwise dispose of its estate and property, and to apply the avails thereof and all other funds of said Seminary for its benefit and advantage, as they shall deem it expedient; and shall also have power, in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of said Seminary, to make by-laws and ordinances for the appointment of professors and other officers of said Seminary, for regulating the duties and conduct of the professors, officers and students therein, for conducting its business and concerns, and generally for the good government of the same: *Provided*, The same be not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the United States, or of this State.

**SEC. 3.** That this act be, and is hereby declared a public act, and that the same be construed in all courts and other places, benignly and favorably for every beneficial purpose therein intended.

**SEC. 4.** That the General Assembly may at any time hereafter modify or repeal this act; but no such modification or repeal shall divert the real and personal estate of the Seminary to any other purpose than the education of Ministers of the Gospel in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

M. T. WILLIAMS,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

ALLEN TRIMBLE,

*Speaker of the Senate*

DECEMBER 29, 1824.

An Act, further supplementary to an act, entitled "An act to Incorporate the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio."

**SEC. 1.** Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio shall have power to establish in connection with said Semi-

nary, a College, and Halls for preparatory education; that they shall have the care and management of all property, which has been or may hereafter be given, or is otherwise possessed for the use and benefit of the same; and to appoint a President and Professors, and all necessary officers for the purposes of government and instruction in said College and Halls.

SEC. 2. The President and Professors of said Theological Seminary shall constitute a Faculty, with the power of conferring Degrees in the Arts and Sciences, and of performing all such other acts as pertain to the Faculties of Colleges for the encouragement and reward of learning: and the name and style by which the said degrees shall be conferred shall be that of "The President and Professors of Kenyon College in the State of Ohio."

SEC. 3. The President and Professors of said Theological Seminary shall also constitute a Faculty with the power of conferring Degrees in Theology, and of doing all such other acts as appertain to such faculties for the encouragement of theological learning; and the name and style by which said degrees shall be conferred shall be that of "The President and Professors of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio."

JAS. J. FARAN,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*  
WILLIAM HAWKINS,  
*Speaker of the Senate.*

MARCH 16, 1839.

#### CONSTITUTION OF THE SEMINARY.

##### ARTICLE I.

The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese of Ohio, do hereby establish a Seminary for the Education of Ministers of the Gospel in said Church; such Seminary to be founded upon donations made and to be made, in the united kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland, and in America, for that purpose, and to be known by the name of "The Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio."

##### ARTICLE II.

The said Seminary shall be established by the Convention of the Diocese, at such place within the same as shall be consistent with the deed of donation, executed by the Bishop of Ohio, in England, on the 27th day of November, 1823 and when once established, shall forever after remain in the same place.

##### ARTICLE III.

The direction and management of said Seminary shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, which shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, and of four clerical and four lay Trustees, to be chosen by the Convention of the Diocese, and to remain in office for the term of three years, and until their successors are chosen, provided that no officer of the Seminary or of any institution that may be annexed thereto, except the President of Kenyon College, shall be eligible to said Board. This article, so far as it respects the number of clerical and lay Trustees, may from time to time be amended by a concurring resolution of the Convention, and of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, so as to increase the number of clerical and lay Trustees, until the number of each may be twelve; which number shall thereafter constitute the permanent Board of clerical and lay Trustees.

##### ARTICLE IV.

A majority of the whole number of Trustees shall be necessary to constitute a quorum to do business. The Bishop, if present, shall preside. In his absence, a President pro tem. shall be appointed by ballot; whose office shall expire with the final adjournment of the meeting of the Board at which the appointment was made. If any vacancy shall happen in the Board of Trustees, such vacancy shall be filled by the Convention that may meet next thereafter.

##### ARTICLE V.

The Seminary shall be under the immediate charge and superintendence of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, as President of the Institution, and during the recess of the Board the Bishop shall be the Prudential Committee in all secular matters of the institution.

##### ARTICLE VI.

The Board of Trustees shall have power to constitute professorships, and to appoint and remove the professors, and to prescribe the course of study, and to make all rules, and regulations, and statutes which may be necessary for the government of the Seminary, and to secure its prosperity: Provided, that all such rules, regulations, or other proceedings, shall forever be in conformity "to the doctrine, discipline, constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcop

pal Church in the United States of America, and to the course of study, prescribed, or to be prescribed, by the Bishops of the said Church."

#### ARTICLE VII.

If at any time the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America shall, by resolution, entered in their Journals, declare any rule, regulation, statute or other proceeding of the Board of Trustees hereby constituted, to be contrary to the doctrine, discipline, constitution, and canons of the Church, or to the course of study prescribed by the Bishops, such rule, regulation, statute, or other proceeding, shall thenceforth cease to have effect, and shall be considered as abrogated and annulled.

#### ARTICLE VIII.

The Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, shall individually, and any two or more of them, be visitors of the Seminary, to take care that the course of discipline and instruction be conformable to the preceding provisions. And it shall be lawful for any one of the Bishops, aforesaid, at any time, to institute in his own name and character of Bishop, any proper legal process to enforce and secure the administration of the Seminary according to the foundation herein prescribed.

#### ARTICLE IX.

The Board of Trustees, as soon as the Convention of the Diocese shall so instruct them, shall annex to the Seminary, a College, with the necessary Preparatory Schools; subject like the Seminary, to the provisions of the 7th and 8th Articles of the Constitution, which College shall have a separate President and Faculty, the Trustees having power to make all needful by-laws, and to appoint and remove all professors and other officers, necessary to the government and prosperity of said College: Provided, that the President be appointed on the nomination of the Bishop of the Diocese, and that in case he shall not so nominate within two months after being requested so to do by the Board of Trustees, then they shall proceed to elect a President without such nomination: provided also that his Episcopal supervision and authority be understood as embracing the spiritual interests of the College and its Preparatory Schools, and that the present property of the said Seminary, whatever use the Trustees may permit the College to make of any part thereof, shall always remain exclusively the property of the Seminary.

#### ARTICLE X.

The Board of Trustees shall meet at Gambier, annually, on the day preceding the Commencement. The President of the Board shall at any time, upon the application in writing of one member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and two clerical and two lay Trustees, call a meeting of the Board to be held at such other time and place as he may appoint, not exceeding thirty days from the day on which the application shall be presented.

#### ARTICLE XI.

This Constitution may be amended by the concurrent vote of the Bishop, a majority of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, and a majority of the Convention of the Diocese.

Provided, That no alteration or amendment whatever be made in this Constitution, whereby the funds of the Seminary, raised in England, be appropriated to any other use than the education and theological instruction of students for the ministry in the Protestant Episcopal Church. This proviso, however does not preclude the lawfulness and constitutionality of annexing a College to the Seminary; and making provision so far as practicable, for the admission of other students, at their own expense, to the benefit of a College education.

### EPISCOPATE FUND.

#### An Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That Benjamin Gardiner, John Mathews, and John C. Wright, and their successors in office, be, and they are hereby created a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, by which name they shall be, and are hereby made capable of receiving, holding and disposing of any estate, real or personal,

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which may be in them invested, for the support and maintenance of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church within the Diocese of Ohio, and by which name they may sue and be sued, and in relation to the property in them invested do and perform every act necessary for the receiving, safe keeping, using and disposing of the same to the best advantage : Provided, that the actual value of the property invested as aforesaid, shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, nor the annual income therefrom fifteen hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio, shall be elected triennially by the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, and shall continue until their successors are duly appointed ; and this corporation shall at all times be subject to be altered, new-modeled, or repealed, as the General Assembly may deem useful ; Provided, that no alteration, modification or repeal, shall divert the use of said fund from its original destination, which is hereby declared to be making provision for the support of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio.

January 24th, 1821..

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ELEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE  
**Society for Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen**  
OF THE  
**PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN OHIO.**

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RROSSE CHAPEL, GAMBIER. June 6, 1856.

The Society for the Relief of the Widows and Children of Deceased Clergymen met, and the President being absent, on motion, Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., was appointed President *pro tem.*, and Rev. C. S. Doolittell, Secretary *pro tem.*.

The President having returned, took his seat, and presented a communication from the Treasurer, containing some suggestions from the Secretary, Rev. Joseph Muenscher, D.D.

The Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were then read; whereupon Dr. Brooke offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer be referred to a special committee of one clergyman and two laymen, with instructions to examine into the pecuniary affairs of the corporation, and the propriety and safety of its present investments, and to offer such suggestions, referring to the financial affairs of the institution, as they may think best. And that said committee publish their report, if practicable, with the Journal of the Convention.

The resolution was adopted, and the President appointed T. M. Smith, D.D., Dr. Russell and Dr. Burr, said committee.

On motion, the Society then went into the election of officers for the ensuing year. S. A. Bronson, D.D., was elected Secretary, and George Browning, Treasurer.

After which, on motion of Rev. Mr. Fitch, it was

*Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed, to whom shall be intrusted the future investments of the funds belonging to the Society.

The President appointed Hon. R. C. Hurd, Dr. Russell and George Browning, Esq., said committee.

Dr. Bronson having declined the office of Secretary, Rev. J. Rice Taylor was elected to fill the vacancy, after which the Society adjourned.

C. S. DOOLITTELL, *Secretary pro tem.*

## SECRETARY'S ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

Through the blessing of a gracious Providence, our Society has completed another year, without the loss of a member by death. Two individuals have forfeited their membership, by failing to comply with the laws relative to the payment of the annual subscription, and one member only has been added to the Society, so that the present number is one less than at the last anniversary.

There was in the Treasury, June 1, 1855, the sum of \$6086.54 in bonds, bank stock and cash, bearing interest, and the sum of \$2113.30 in premium notes not bearing interest; making a total of \$8199.84. During the past year, the sum of \$80.09 of the premium notes has been paid off, chiefly by parochial contributions, and \$51.00 of the same have been cancelled, leaving \$1983.21. There has been added one premium note of \$50.00, which makes the present amount of premium notes, as appears from the Treasurer's Report, \$2033.21. The cash receipts from all sources, during the year, have been \$869.74.

Two annuities have been paid, amounting to \$125.00. A loan has been made for a short term of years of \$1000, at 8 per cent. interest annually, collaterally secured by mortgage on unencumbered real estate, and \$188.50 have been applied to the purchase of two Knox county 6 per cent. bonds, the par value of which is \$200. The productive property of the Society now consists of \$6828.48, which, added to \$2033.21, the amount of the premium notes, makes an aggregate of \$8861.69, which is a net increase since the last annual meeting, of \$661.85.

Of this sum, \$280.91 have been received from parochial collections made in 16 churches. These collections were all obtained from parishes within the Diocese of Ohio, except one, although about one-third of the members reside in other Dioceses. I take pleasure in being able to say, that the largest parochial contribution received during the year past, came from Christ Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., whose excellent Rector, though far away, does not fail annually to remember our Society; while many, and some of them among the wealthiest parishes in our own Diocese, have either at no time, or only occasionally, contributed to its aid. In view of the small annual tax which each member of our association is required to pay, the question has been sometimes asked, in tones of serious apprehension as to the result, upon what basis does this Society rest? The answer is, that it rests chiefly upon the basis of Christian love and sympathy. This is our bank of faith; and if we go on as we have heretofore done, quietly and peaceably in our work, and each individual member does his duty, by presenting from time to time the claims of the Society to his parishioners, we need be under no apprehension as to the final result.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary.*

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*The Clergy Widows' and Orphans' Society in Account with  
GEORGE BROWNING, Treasurer.*

| 1855.  | DR.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | NOTE, ETC.                                   | CASH.                                |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| June.  | To Alanson Phelps, off premium note,<br>C. S. Doolittle, " " "<br>Intrepid Morse, " " "<br>A. Wheeler, " " "<br>Loan on security of real estate, interest at 8 per<br>cent. from first inst.                                                                             | \$13 00<br>2 00<br>19 45<br>32 00            |                                      |
| Aug.   | Paid Executor Rev. M. R. Juke's estate,<br>A. Clark, off premium note,                                                                                                                                                                                                   | 50 00<br>91                                  |                                      |
| Oct.   | Express packages and postages.<br>Paid printing, per receipt,                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 2 48<br>1 50                                 |                                      |
| Dec.   | Paid postages and recording mortgages.<br>Cash paid for Knox County 6 per cent. Bonds,<br>Paid printing Annual Report,<br>S. Y. McMasters, off premium note,<br>J. W. Clark, balance on premium note given up,<br>Lloyd Windsor, premium note cancelled and<br>given up, | 87<br>88 50<br>8 00<br>7 00<br>1 00<br>50 00 |                                      |
| 1856.  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                              |                                      |
| Jan'y. | Annuity paid guardian of children of A. F. Dobb,<br>Paid stationery and sundry postages,                                                                                                                                                                                 | 75 00<br>1 45                                |                                      |
| April. | Paid for Knox County 6 per cent. Bond,<br>Intrepid Morse, balance premium note paid and<br>given up,                                                                                                                                                                     | 100 00<br>4 73                               |                                      |
|        | Balance in Treasury to new account, (cash at<br>interest subject to call,) -                                                                                                                                                                                             | \$130 09<br>\$8,358 21<br>\$8,488 30         | \$1,327 50<br>\$503 48<br>\$1,831 28 |

(Cn. on next page.)

The following sums have been received since this report was closed, viz :  
 From Parochial Collections—St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, \$10; St. James', Painesville, \$13; St. John's, Cleveland, \$12.68; St. Peter's, Delaware, \$5; Christ Church, Ironton, \$5; Zion Church, Dresden, \$8; St. Matthew's, Madison, \$2; St. Paul's, Cleveland, \$18; Grace Church, Sandusky, \$8.50; All Saints', Portsmouth, \$10; Trinity Church, Toledo, \$13; St. James', Boardman, \$3; E. Lounsbury, donation, \$2; Convention collection, \$52.

From Members—W. B. Rally, \$3; L. L. Holden, \$3; C. W. Fitch, \$3; A. Clark, \$3; S. A. Bronson, \$3; E. Winthrop, \$6; A. Blake, \$3; E. Burr, \$3; M. T. C. Wing, \$3; E. H. Cumming, \$3; D. Risser, \$3; E. C. Benson, \$3; T. B. Fairchild, \$3; C. P. McIlvaine, \$3; E. Meyer, \$3; F. A. Strong, \$3; W. R. Nicholson, \$3; H. Blackaller, \$3; J. T. Brooke, \$3; J. L. Bryan, \$3; G. S. Davis, \$3; T. M. Smith, \$3; H. B. Walbridge, \$6.18; J. E. Ryan, \$3; E. Lounsherry, \$3; N. H. Schenck, \$3; L. Carter, \$3; W. A. Smallwood, \$3.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*The Clergy Widows' and Orphans' Society in Account with  
GEORGE BROWNING, Treasurer.*

| 1855.  | CR.                                                                                                                | NOTES, ETC. | CASH.      |
|--------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------|
|        | By balance brought forward from last report rendered,                                                              | \$7,238 30  | \$961 54   |
|        | Alvah Guion, 3 00; N. Badger, 7 00, - - -                                                                          |             | 10 00      |
|        | E. H. Cumming, 3 00; C. P. McIlvaine, 3 00, - - -                                                                  |             | 6 00       |
|        | T. B. Fairchild, 3 00; L. L. Holden, 3 00, - - -                                                                   |             | 6 00       |
|        | Peter Neff, Jr., 3 00; D. Kisscr, 3 00, - - -                                                                      |             | 6 00       |
|        | Intrepid Morse, 3 00; E. Burr, 3 00, - - -                                                                         |             | 6 00       |
|        | J. E. Ryan, 3 00; J. L. Bryan, 3 00, - - -                                                                         |             | 6 00       |
|        | W. R. Nicholson, 3 00; H. Blackaller, 3 00, - - -                                                                  |             | 6 00       |
|        | Collection, St. John's Church, Worthington, - - -                                                                  |             | 3 00       |
|        | St. James', Painesville, - - -                                                                                     |             | 16 00      |
|        | St. James', Boardman, - - -                                                                                        |             | 5 00       |
|        | Zion Church, Dresden, (for 1854,) - - -                                                                            |             | 5 00       |
|        | St. Matthew's, Madison, " - - -                                                                                    |             | 3 00       |
|        | St. Matthew's, " (for 1855,) - - -                                                                                 |             | 2 00       |
|        | Zion Church, Dresden, " - - -                                                                                      |             | 8 00       |
|        | St. John's, Cleveland, - - -                                                                                       |             | 8 00       |
|        | St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, - - -                                                                                  |             | 10 00      |
|        | St. Paul's, Steubenville, - - -                                                                                    |             | 19 45      |
|        | St. Paul's, Cleveland, - - -                                                                                       |             | 15 87      |
|        | All Saints', Portsmouth, - - -                                                                                     |             | 10 00      |
|        | St. James', Piqua, - - -                                                                                           |             | 35 00      |
|        | at Convention, Zanesville, - - -                                                                                   |             | 40 00      |
|        | Loan on real estate security, (interest from 1st inst., - - -                                                      | 1,000 00    |            |
| Aug.   | Cash for Miss. & Milwaukee R. R. Coupon, A. Clark, 4 00; L. Carter, 3 00, - - -                                    |             | 50 25      |
|        | John Swan, 3 00; H. Hollis, 3 00, - - -                                                                            |             | 7 00       |
|        | Collection, Christ Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., G. B. Perry, - - -                                                     |             | 6 00       |
| Oct.   | H. N. Bishop, 3 00; R. B. Claxton, 3 00, - - -                                                                     |             | 65 00      |
|        | Collection, Grace Church, Cleveland, - - -                                                                         |             | 6 21       |
|        | Knox County 6 per cent. Bond, - - -                                                                                | 100 00      | 6 00       |
| Nov.   | E. Benedict, - - -                                                                                                 |             | 8 79       |
| Dec.   | R. S. Nash, 3 00; W. A. Smallwood, 3 00, - - -                                                                     |             | 3 00       |
|        | S. Y. McMasters, 10 00; W. W. Arnett, 3 00, - - -                                                                  |             | 6 00       |
|        | C. B. Stout, 3 00; J. Muenscher, 3 00, - - -                                                                       |             | 13 00      |
|        | F. B. Nash, 3 00; Wm. Rally, 3 00, - - -                                                                           |             | 6 00       |
| 1856.  |                                                                                                                    |             | 6 00       |
| Jan'y. | Cash for Coupons, Knox Co. 6 per cent. Bonds, Collection St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, - - -                         |             | 123 00     |
| Feb'y. | W. H. Cooper, premium note, - - -                                                                                  | 50 00       | 15 00      |
| Mar.   | W. H. Cooper, 3 00; R. K. Mead, 3 00, - - -                                                                        |             |            |
|        | Cash for Coupons, Knox Co. 7 per cent. Bonds, Easter collection, St. Paul's, Chillicothe, per L. N. Freeman, - - - |             | 6 00       |
| April. | Intrepid Morse, balance in full, premium note, - - -                                                               | 100 00      | 126 00     |
|        | Knox County 6 per cent. Bonds, - - -                                                                               |             | 4 73       |
|        | Intrepid Morse, 3 27; G. D. Gillespie, 3 00, - - -                                                                 |             | 6 27       |
|        | Cash for Miss. and Milwaukee R. R. Coupon, - - -                                                                   |             | 50 00      |
|        | Dividend, Mechanics' Bank, N. Y. City, - - -                                                                       |             | 22 00      |
|        | Interest received on two last items, - - -                                                                         |             | 1 08       |
| June 2 | Interest received on real estate loans to this date, - - -                                                         |             | 80 00      |
|        | In't received on temporary loans to this date, - - -                                                               |             | 14 29      |
|        |                                                                                                                    | \$8,488 30  | \$1,831 28 |

*Notes, Securities and Cash in Treasury, June 1, 1856.*

|                                                                      |                          |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Premium notes and balances,                                          | \$2,033 21               |
| Knox County Bonds, drawing 6 per cent.,                              | \$2,250 00               |
| Knox County Bonds, drawing 7 per cent.,                              | 1,800 00                 |
| Mechanics' Bank, City N. Y., stock (last year.) drawing 8 per cent., | 275 00                   |
| Loan on security of real estate, drawing 8 per cent.,                | 1,000 00                 |
| Miss. and Milwaukee R. R. Bonds, drawing 10 per cent.,               | 1,000 00                 |
|                                                                      | <u>6,325 00</u>          |
| <b>Add cash on hand at interest, subject to call,</b>                | <b>\$8,358 21</b>        |
|                                                                      | <b>503 48</b>            |
|                                                                      | <b><u>\$8,861 69</u></b> |

**RECAPITULATION.**

|                                                                |          |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Cash in Treasury per preceding Report, (June 1, 1855,) - - - - | \$961 54 |
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**RECEIPTS OF PAST YEAR TO JUNE 1, 1856.**

|                                                                         |                  |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| From collections, annual dues of members and on premium notes, \$403 12 | 12               |
| " investments and moneys at interest, - - - -                           | 466 62           |
|                                                                         | <u>869 74</u>    |
|                                                                         | <b>\$1831 28</b> |

**DISBURSEMENTS.**

|                                                                     |                 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Loan on Real Estate security, and purchase of County Bonds, - - - - | \$1,188 50      |
| Paid annuities, - - - -                                             | 125 00          |
| Paid general expenses, - - - -                                      | 14 30           |
| Cash at interest subject to call, - - - -                           | 503 48          |
|                                                                     | <u>1,831 28</u> |

**INCOME FOR COMING YEAR.**

|                                                                     |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Estimated solely from present investments and moneys on hand, - - - | \$500 00 |
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MT. VERNON, June 1, 1856.

GEORGE BROWNING, *Treasurer.***REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE.**

The committee to whom was referred the account of the Treasurer of the Widows' and Orphans' Society, have examined the same, and find it to be correct. They are of opinion that the funds are safely invested, and that the Corporation is, in all respects, in a flourishing condition.

The committee would recommend that the practice of applying parochial collections to the discharge of premium notes, be discontinued, except in cases where the collection has been taken for that particular purpose, which fact is to be certified by one of the Wardens of the Parish; and that the application of such collections to the payment of annual dues, be expressly prohibited.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS M. SMITH, *Chairman.*

## MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| 1845.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Rev. Thomas B. Dooley,<br>" John Ufford.<br>1849.                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D.D.,<br>D.C.L.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | " Lewis Burton,<br>" R. S. Nash,<br>" K. J. Stewart,<br>" David W. Tolford,<br>" Lloyd Windsor.<br>1850.                                                                                                                     |
| Rev. Alex. F. Dobb,*<br>" E. H. Cantfield, D.D.,<br>" Thos. B. Fairchild,<br>" Wm. A. Smallwood, D.D.,<br>" Alanson Phelps,<br>" Erastus Burr, D.D.,<br>" Richard S. Killin,<br>" James B. Britton,<br>" Chauncey Colton, D.D.,†<br>" Alvah Gotion,<br>" L. L. Holden,<br>" Joseph Muenscher, D.D.,<br>" Henry Payne,<br>" Charles B. Stout,<br>" Abraham Wheeler,<br>" Edward Winthrop.                       | " Anson Clark,<br>" Ed. H. Cummings,<br>" Charles Dresser,†<br>" G. W. DuBois,<br>" G. D. Gillespie,<br>" S. Y. McMasters, LL.D.,<br>" Intrepid Morse,<br>" F. B. Nash,<br>" W. R. Nicholson,<br>" H. B. Walbridge.<br>1851. |
| 1846.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | " H. N. Bishop,<br>" Henry Blackaller,<br>" T. Jarvis Carter,*<br>" Erastus A. Strong,<br>" John Swan,<br>" Geo. Thompson.*<br>1852.                                                                                         |
| " S. A. Bronson, D.D.,<br>" J. T. Brooke, D.D.,<br>" Alfred Blake,<br>" Norman Badger,<br>" J. L. Bryan,<br>" G. S. Davis,<br>" George Denison,<br>" L. N. Freeman,<br>" W. C. French,<br>" Richard Gray,<br>" Humphrey Hollis,<br>" Ed. Loonsherry,<br>" A. T. McMurphy,<br>" Henry L. Richards,†<br>" Thos. M. Smith, D.D.,<br>" George B. Sturges,<br>" C. C. Townsend,†<br>" M. T. C. Wing, D.D.,<br>1847. | " Lawson Carter,<br>" John W. Clark,<br>" M. R. Jukes,*<br>" James McElroy,<br>" Dudley A. Tyng.<br>1853.                                                                                                                    |
| " E. Boyden,<br>" Abraham Bronson,*<br>" Chauncey W. Fitch,<br>" Richard K. Mead,<br>" G. B. Perry, D.D., LL.D.,<br>" J. Rice Taylor.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | " A. D. Benedict,<br>" C. S. Doolittle,<br>" J. E. Ryan,<br>" Wm. Sparrow, D.D.<br>1854.                                                                                                                                     |
| 1848.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | " E. C. Benson,<br>" John G. Downing,<br>" Peter Neff, Jr.,<br>" Daniel Risser,<br>" Wm. B. Rally,<br>" Edward W. Syle.<br>1856.                                                                                             |
| " W. W. Arnett,<br>" R. Bethell Claxton, D.D.,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | " W. H. Cooper,<br>" Edward Meyer,<br>" Noah Hunt Schenck.                                                                                                                                                                   |

\* Deceased.

† Withdrawn.

## President.

Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D.D.

## Treasurer,

George Browning, Esq., Mt. Vernon.

## Secretary,

Rev. J. Rice Taylor. Mt. Vernon.

## FUNDAMENTAL LAWS OF THE SOCIETY.

1. Any Clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States may be a member of this Corporation and entitled to all its privileges, provided he deposits with the Treasurer a premium note for \$50, not bearing interest, and pays annually the sum of \$3 to the Society. The first annual payment is to be made at the time of giving the premium note.

2. The premium notes shall constitute a reserved fund, subject to requisition from time to time, to supply any deficiencies which may arise in the available means of the Society, for the payment of annuities.

3. A failure to make the annual payments when they become due, or to answer a call for an assessment on the premium notes, shall subject the delinquent to a penalty of  $12\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. per annum on the amount due and unpaid: and at the expiration of three years, should such delinquency continue, his beneficial interest in the institution shall be forfeited.

4. The beneficial interest of a member shall not commence until the expiration of one year from the date of his premium note; and not until he has made two annual payments.

5. If a contributor die before having made five annual payments, his widow and children shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of his premium note, (\$50.) If he should die after having made five annual payments and less than ten, they shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of the premium note and one-half that amount, (\$75.) If he have made ten annual payments or upwards, they shall receive an annuity equal to twice the amount of the premium note, (\$100.)

6. At the death of a contributor, the balance which may be due on his premium note, together with any other claims which the Corporation may hold against him, shall be assigned to the annuitants in part payment of the first annuity.

7. No annuity shall be considered as having become due to the family of any contributor until one year from the time of his death.

8. Annuities shall be paid widows during life, unless they marry again: in which case their annuities shall cease and fall to their children entirely: and children, if males, shall enjoy annuities until they be twenty-one years old; if females, until they are twenty-five years old, unless they previously marry, upon which their annuities shall cease.

9. If there be a child and no widow, such child shall be entitled to the whole annuity, during the time he or she continues to be an annuitant; but if there be more than one child and no widow, the annuity shall be equally divided among them till they severally marry or exceed the age of annuitants, which annuity shall be laid out in their education or apprenticeship, with the advice of such guardians or executors as the father may have nominated; and if none such shall have been nominated by the father, then in such manner for the benefit of the child or children as the Corporation shall direct.

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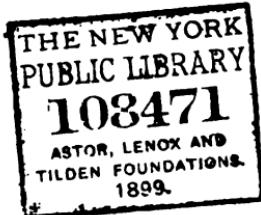
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AKRON, St. Paul's.  
ASHTABULLA, St. Peter's.  
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CANFIELD, St. Stephen's.  
CENTERVILLE, St. David's.  
CHILLICOTHE, St. Paul's.  
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CLEVELAND, Trinity.  
CLINTON, Calvary.  
CLINTON, Christ.  
COLUMBIA, St. Luke's.  
COLUMBUS, St. Paul's.  
COLUMBUS, Trinity.  
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CUYAHOGA FALLS, St. John's.  
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DEFIANCE, Grace.  
DELAWARE, St. Peter's.  
DRESDEN, Zion.  
EAST LIVERPOOL, St. Stephen's.  
EAST PLYMOUTH, St. Matthew's.  
EAST SPRINGFIELD, St. John's.  
ELYRIA, St. Andrew's.  
EUCLID, St. Paul's.  
FRANKLIN, Christ.  
FREMONT, St. Paul's.  
GALLIPOLIS, St. Peter's.  
GAMBIER, Harcourt.  
GRAFTON, St. Stephen's.  
GRANVILLE, St. Luke's.  
GREENVILLE, St. Paul's.  
HAMILTON, St. Matthew's.  
HARTSGROVE, St. Paul's.  
HILLSBORO', St. Mary's.  
HUDSON, Christ.  
HURON, Christ.

IRONTON, Christ.  
JEFFERSON, Trinity.  
LANCASTER, St. John's.  
LYME, Trinity.  
MADISON, St. Matthew's.  
MANSFIELD, Grace.  
MARINETTA, St. Luke's.  
MARION, St. Paul's.  
MASSILLON, St. Timothy's.  
MAUMER, St. Paul's.  
MEDINA, St. Paul's.  
MILAN, St. Luke's.  
MILL CREEK, St. Mark's.  
MT. VERNON, St. Paul's.  
NAPOLEON, St. John's.  
NEWARK, Trinity.  
NEWTON FALLS, St. Mark's.  
NORWALK, St. Paul's.  
OBERLIN, Christ.  
PAINESVILLE, St. James'.  
PENFIELD, Christ.  
PENINSULA, Bethel.  
PERRY, St. Matthew's.  
PIQUA, St. James'.  
POMEROY, Grace.  
PORTSMOUTH, All Saints'.  
ROME, St. Peter's.  
SANDUSKY, Grace.  
SPRINGFIELD, Christ.  
ST. CLAIRSVILLE, St. Thomas'.  
STEUBENVILLE, St. Paul's.  
STRONGSVILLE, St. Phillip's.  
TIFFIN, Trinity.  
TOLEDO, Trinity.  
TROY, Trinity.  
UNIONVILLE, St. Michael's.  
URBANA, Epiphany.  
WAKEMAN, St. John's.  
WALNUT HILLS, Advent.  
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WINDSOR, Christ.  
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## LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO, JUNE, 1857.

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- The Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE, D.D., D. C. L., Bishop of the Diocese, residing near Cincinnati.
- The Rev. THOMAS G. ADDISON,\* Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.
- The Rev. NORMAN BADGER, Editor of the Western Episcopalian, and Missionary. P. O., Gambier.
- The Rev. DARIUS BARKER,† Rector of St. Paul's Church, Maumee, and Missionary.
- The Rev. EDWARD C. BENSON,\*† Deacon, Principal of Harcourt Place Academy, Gambier.
- The Rev. HENRY BLACKALLER, Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.
- The Rev. ALFRED BLAKE, B.D.,† Rector of Harcourt Place Academy, Gambier, and of St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek.
- The Rev. JAMES A. BOLLES, D.D., Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.
- The Rev. JOHN H. C. BONTE.\*†
- The Rev. J. A. BOWMAN,\*† residing at Ashtabula.
- The Rev. JOHN BOYD, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.
- The Rev. JOHNSON A. BRAYTON,\*† Principal of a Select Classical School at Painesville.
- The Rev. SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Sandusky.
- The Rev. JOHN T. BROOKE, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Springfield.
- The Rev. JOHN L. BRYAN, residing at Granville.
- The Rev. ERASTUS BURR, D.D., Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.
- The Rev. LEWIS BURTON, Rector of St. John's Church, Cleveland.
- The Rev. CLEMENT M. BUTLER, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.
- The Rev. LAWSON CARTER,† Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland.
- The Rev. RICHARD L. CHITTENDEN,† Rector of St. Paul's Church, Fremont.
- The Rev. R. BETHELL CLAXTON, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cleveland.
- The Rev. WILLIAM H. COOPER, Rector of Trinity Church, Tiffin.
- The Rev. EDWARD H. CUMMING,† Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.
- The Rev. JOHN P. CURRAN, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Milan, and Missionary.
- The Rev. GEORGE S. DAVIS, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina.
- The Rev. COLUMBUS S. DOOLITTELL, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville.
- The Rev. GEORGE WASHINGTON DU BOIS,† Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.
- The Rev. JOSHUA T. EATON,† Rector of St. Matthew's Church, East Plymouth, and Trinity Church, Jefferson. P. O., Painesville.

\* Not entitled to seats by Const. Art. IV.

† Not present in this Convention.

- The Rev. ABRAHAM EDWARDS, Rector of St. David's Church, Centerville.  
The Rev. CHARLES W. FEARNS, Rector of St. James' Church, Cross Creek,  
and Missionary. P. O., Holmes' Mill.  
The Rev. CHAUNCEY W. FITCH, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua.  
The Rev. WILLIAM C. FRENCH, Rector of Christ Church, Ironton, Missionary,  
and Secretary of the Convention.  
The Rev. FRANCIS GRANGER,† Missionary at Penfield and Oberlin. P. O.,  
Oberlin.  
The Rev. RICHARD GRAY, City Missionary in Cincinnati.  
The Rev. P. H. GREENLEAF, D.D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.  
The Rev. JAMES L. GROVER, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Urbana,  
and Missionary.  
The Rev. JOHN HALL,† Rector of St. Peter's Church, Rome.  
The Rev. MOSES HAMILTON, Rector of St. John's Church, Napoleon, and  
Grace Church, Defiance. P. O., Napoleon.  
The Rev. H. T. HEISTER.\*†  
The Rev. JOHN HOCHULY, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Strongsville, and  
St. Luke's Church, Columbia, and Missionary. P. O., Copopa.  
The Rev. HUMPHREY HOLLIS,† Rector of Bethel Church, Peninsula, and  
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The Rev. LEVI L. HOLDEN, Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.  
The Rev. PETER H. JEFFRIES, Rector of Grace Church, Mansfield, and Missionary.  
The Rev. EZRA B. KELLOGG,\*† residing at Gambier.  
The Rev. EDWARD H. KENNEDY.\*†  
The Rev. JAMES A. M. LA TOURRETTE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Columbus,  
and Missionary.  
The Rev. CHARLES F. LEWIS,\*† residing at Germantown.  
The Rev. WILLIAM F. LHLOYD, Rector of Calvary Church, Clifton.  
The Rev. EDWARD MAGEE,† Missionary in Cincinnati.  
The Rev. BENJAMIN K. MALTBY,\*† Deacon, residing at Cleveland.  
The Rev. SAMUEL MARKS, Rector of Christ Church, Huron, and Missionary.  
The Rev. J. J. McELHINNEY, Professor of Pastoral Divinity in the Theological  
Seminary of the Diocese at Gambier.  
The Rev. JAMES McELROY, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.  
The Rev. ALBERT T. McMURPHAY, Rector of Zion Church, Dresden, and St.  
Matthew's Church, Madison. P. O., Dresden.  
The Rev. EDWARD MEYER, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Akron.  
The Rev. HENRY H. MORRELL, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.  
The Rev. INTREPID MORSE,† Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.  
The Rev. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, D. D.\*†  
The Rev. RODOLPHUS K. NASH, Rector of Grace Church, Berkshire, and Missionary.  
The Rev. PETER NEFF, JR.,\*† residing in Cincinnati.  
The Rev. WILLIAM R. NICHOLSON, Rector of St. John's Church, Cincinnati.  
The Rev. BENJAMIN T. NOAKES,\*† Deacon.  
The Rev. HENRY PAYNE,\*† residing at Mount Vernon.

- The Rev. GIDEON B. PERRY, D. D.,\*† residing at Cleveland.
- The Rev. ALANSON PHELPS, Rector of St. James' Church, Painesville.
- The Rev. CHARLES REYNOLDS, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.
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- The Rev. HENRY FLOY ROBERTS, Rector of St. John's Church, Worthington, and Christ Church, Clinton, and Missionary.
- The Rev. WARREN H. ROBERTS, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Hillsboro'.
- The Rev. JOSEPH E. RYAN, Rector of Christ Church, Warren, and Missionary.
- The Rev. ALVAH SANFORD,\*† residing at Granville.
- The Rev. NOAH HUNT SCHENCK, Rector of Harcourt Parish, Gambier.
- The Rev. THOMAS M. SMITH, D. D., Milnor Professor of Divinity in the Theological Seminary of the Diocese, Gambier.
- The Rev. E. A. STRONG, Agent of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, Gambier.
- The Rev. GEORGE B. STURGES, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Marion, and Missionary.
- The Rev. J. RICE TAYLOR, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon.
- The Rev. SPENCER WALL.\*†
- The Rev. HENRY B. WALBRIDGE, Rector of Trinity Church, Toledo.
- The Rev. GEORGE WATSON, D. D., Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.
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- The Rev. HOMER WHEELER,† Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.
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- The Rev. EDWARD WINTHROP,† Principal of a Ladies' Academy, Norwalk.
- The Rev. WILLIAM WITHINGTON,\* officiating at Trinity Church, Troy.

TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE,  
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SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION,  
REV. WILLIAM C. FRENCH,  
IRONTON.

## RULES OF ORDER.

I.  
The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.

II.  
When the President takes the chair no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up except to address the Chair

III.  
After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.

IV.  
No member shall absent himself from the service of the House unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

V.  
At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present—if not, some other person appointed by the Chair, shall call the names of the clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the parishes entitled to representation; and the Lay Delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

VI.  
The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint—1st, A Committee of Examination, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of membership and certificates of Lay Delegates, and incorporation of Churches, and their admission into union with the Convention. 2d, A Committee on Unfinished Business, to consist of one clergyman and one layman. After the Committee of Examinations has reported the names of the Lay Delegates entitled to seats in the Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees: 1st, A Committee of Finance, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen; to whom shall be referred the Treasurer's report and assessment of the parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. 2d, A Committee on Missions, to consist of four clergymen and four laymen, to whom shall be referred the report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3d, A Committee on Canons, to consist of two clergymen, and two laymen, to whom new Canons and all alterations and amendments of existing Canons shall be referred.

VII.  
When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VIII.  
No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

IX.  
While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

X.  
Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he personally interested in the discussion.

XI.  
A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

XII.  
No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing.

XIII.  
When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XIV.  
All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

XV.  
When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

XVI.  
Clergymen belonging to the Diocese but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and candidates for holy orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention, and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

XVII.  
The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, unless altered or rescinded, and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

## J O U R N A L.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH, PIQUA,  
Thursday, June 4th, A. D. 1857. }

THE Fortieth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio assembled for organization and business this fourth day of June, A. D. 1857, in St. James' Church, Piqua, at half past ten o'clock, a. m., in accordance with a resolution of the last Annual Convention.

The Convention was opened with Divine Service. Morning Prayer was read, as far as the Creed, by the Rev. Samuel Marks, Rector of Christ Church, Huron, and the remainder by the Rev. Dr. Greenleaf, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati. The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Lewis Burton, Rector of St. John's Church, Cleveland, from 2 Cor. iv. 2 : "*By manifestation of the truth, commanding ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.*"

After Divine Service, the Right Reverend the Bishop of the Diocese took the chair and called the Convention to order.

The Secretary of the last Convention proceeded to call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats under Article IV. of the Constitution, from a list of the

same, furnished by the Bishop, when the following were found present, and took their seats:

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|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Right Reverend CHARLES PETTIT MCILVAINE, D.D., D.C.L., |                        |                      |
| Rev. N. Badger,                                        | Rev. C. W. Fearns,     | Rev. H. H. Morrell,  |
| H. Blackaller,                                         | C. W. Fitch,           | R. K. Nash,          |
| J. A. Bolles, D.D.,*                                   | W. C. French,          | W. R. Nicholson,     |
| J. Boyd,                                               | R. Gray,               | A. Phelps,           |
| S. A. Bronson, D.D.,                                   | P. H. Greenleaf, D.D., | C. Reynolds,         |
| J. T. Brooke, D.D.,                                    | J. L. Grover,          | H. F. Roberts,       |
| J. L. Bryan,                                           | M. Hamilton,           | W. H. Roberts,       |
| E. Burr, D.D.,                                         | J. Hochuly,            | J. E. Ryan,          |
| L. Burton,                                             | L. L. Holden,          | N. H. Schenck,       |
| C. M. Butler, D.D.,                                    | P. H. Jeffries,        | T. M. Smith, D.D.,   |
| R. B. Claxton, D.D.,                                   | J. A. M. LaTourrette,  | E. A. Strong,        |
| W. H. Cooper,                                          | Wm. F. Lloyd,          | G. B. Sturges,       |
| J. P. Curran,                                          | S. Marks,              | J. R. Taylor,        |
| G. S. Davis,                                           | J. McElroy,            | H. B. Walbridge,     |
| C. S. Doolittell,                                      | A. T. McMurphy,        | G. Watson, D.D.,     |
| A. Edwards,                                            | E. Meyer,              | M. T. C. Wing, D.D.* |

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A list of the Parishes in union with the Convention being then read by the former Secretary, the certificates of their Lay Delegates were laid on his table.

The President, agreeably to the Vth Rule of Order, then declared the Convention duly organized, and ready to proceed to business.

The first business in order being the election of a Secretary by ballot, on motion by Rev. C. W. Fitch, balloting was unanimously dispensed with, and the Rev. W. C. FRENCH, the former Secretary, was re-elected.

The Chair then appointed the following Committees:

*Committee on Credentials*—Rev. S. Marks, Rev. S. Burton, and Mr. Platt Benedict.

*Committee on Unfinished Business*—Rev. J. Rice Taylor, and Mr. F. Wolcott.

\* Not present first day.

After which the Convention took a recess till three o'clock, p. m.

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THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention assembled, and united with the Bishop in singing the 62d Hymn, and in the Litany.

The Secretary called the roll of the Clergy.

The Rev. S. Marks, Chairman of the committee on the Examination of the Credentials of Lay Delegates, reported the following persons entitled to seats as representatives of their respective parishes:\*

from

*Akron, St. Paul's*—Frederick Wolcott, J. A. Beebe, P. Bennett.  
*Canfield, St. Stephen's*—S. C. Lockwood.  
*Cincinnati, St. John's*—T. G. Odiorne, E. T. Carson, C. J. Wright.  
*Cincinnati, St. Paul's*—David K. Cady, George Keck, Joseph Longworth.  
*Circleville, St. Philip's*—Kingsley Ray.  
*Cleveland, Grace*—C. J. Woolson, E. W. Palmer, D. E. Field.  
*Cleveland, St. John's*—Wm. B. Castle, Geo. L. Chapman, G. T. Chapman.  
*Cleveland, Trinity*—R. W. Roby, John Shelly, Douglass Case.  
*Clifton, Calvary*—Robert Buchanan.  
*Columbus, St. Paul's*—Isaac N. Whiting, Horatio S. Miller, Edw. Cowling.  
*Columbus, Trinity*—John W. Andrews, J. R. Swan, Thos. Sparrow.  
*Cross Creek, St. James'*—A. Cunningham, Sr., R. Henderson, J. Cunningham, Jr.  
*Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's*—George Parks, E. Van Deusen, John Brainard.  
*Dayton, Christ*—Warren Munger, John Powell, N. G. Thom.  
*Delaware, St. Peter's*—Chas. McElroy, B. Powers, G. F. Stayman.

\* This list includes all the credentials reported by the committee during the progress of the Convention.

*Gambier, Harcourt*—Lorin Andrews, J. S. Sawer, E. Balcom.  
*Hillsboro', St. Mary's*—A. B. Sams.  
*Hudson, Christ*—A. A. Brewster, Thos. McCauley, E. G. Knight.  
*Huron, Christ*—John W. Wickham, Sam'l P. McDonald, T. Jackson.  
*Ironton, Christ*—Wm. M. Bolles, Geo. W. Jackson, C. M. Glidden.  
*Kingston, St. James'*—Elias Benton.  
*Lancaster, St. James'*—Wm. J. Reese, Joseph Doddrige.  
*Lyme, Trinity*—John Clarke.  
*Mansfield, Grace*—Uzziel Stevens, H. N. Greene.  
*Medina, St. Paul's*—Zachary Deane, Selden B. Welton.  
*Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's*—E. Alling, J. N. Burr, C. Delano.  
*Newton Falls, St. Mark's*—Uriah H. White.  
*Norwalk, St. Paul's*—Platt Benedict.  
*Painesville, St. James'*—D. D. Aiken, Hobart C. Brayton.  
*Piqua, St. James'*—M. G. Mitchell, G. V. Dorsey, J. H. D. Johnston.  
*Portsmouth, All Saints'*—J. M. Shackleford, Sam'l R. Ross, Eggles-ton B. Lodwick.  
*Springfield, Christ*—Wm. Coles, James A. Bean, Sam'l Houghton.  
*Toledo, Trinity*—F. L. Nichols, Andrew Young, C. B. Phillips.  
*Troy, Trinity*—Asa Coleman, Geo. Keifer, John D. Dewees.  
*Urbana, Epiphany*—Adam Mosgrove, James Moore.  
*Warren, Christ*—J. L. Weeks, G. W. Darley.  
*Worthington, St. John's*—Chas. E. Burr, J. Malcolm Gilbert, Orville Johnson.  
*Zanesville, St. James'*—Isaac Dillon, James Caldwell, M. M. Granger.

The above report being received, the names of the Lay Delegates reported were then called by the Secretary.

The following gentlemen answered and took their seats during this and subsequent sessions of the Convention: from

*Akron*—Frederick Wolcott.  
*Canfield*—S. C. Lockwood.  
*Cincinnati, St. John's*—Thomas G. Odiorne.  
*Cincinnati, St. Paul's*—David K. Cady, George Keck.  
 *Circleville*—Kingsley Ray.  
*Cleveland, Grace*—E. W. Palmer.

*Cleveland, St. John's*—Geo. T. Chapman.  
*Cleveland, Trinity*—Douglass Case.  
*Columbus, St. Paul's*—Isaac N. Whiting.  
*Columbus, Trinity*—John W. Andrews, Thos. Sparrow.  
*Dayton*—W. Munger, John Powell.  
*Delaware*—Chas. McElroy, George F. Stayman.  
*Gambier*—Lorin Andrews, J. S. Sawer, E. Balcom.  
*Hillsboro'*—A. B. Sams.  
*Huron*—Sam'l P. McDonald.  
*Ironton*—C. Mills Glidden.  
*Kingston*—Elias Benton.  
*Lyme*—John Clarke.  
*Mansfield*—H. N. Greene.  
*Medina*—Zachary Deane.  
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*Warren*—J. L. Weeks.  
*Worthington*—Charles E. Burr, J. Malcolm Gilbert.  
*Zanesville*—James Caldwell, Isaac Dillon, M. M. Granger.

32 Parishes—

—49 Delegates.

The President announced the appointment of the following standing committees—the last in accordance with the resolution recorded on page 66 of the Journal of 1855:

*Committee of Finance*—Rev. J. McElroy and Messrs. Thos. Sparrow and Samuel R. Ross.

*Committee on Missions and Education*—Rev. W. R. Nicholson, Rev. G. Watson, D.D., Rev. T. M. Smith, D.D., Rev. A. Phelps, and Messrs. G. V. Dorsey, C. E. Burr, Geo. Keifer, and Isaac Dillon.

*Committee on Canons*—Rev. E. Burr, D.D., Rev. H. B. Walbridge, and Messrs. J. M. Shackleford, and J. W. Andrews.

*Committee on the State of the Church*—Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D., Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D., Rev. H. Blackaller, Rev. E. Burr, D.D., Rev. L. L. Holden, and Messrs. M. G. Mitchell, Lorin Andrews, D. D. Aiken, A. Moagrove and John Clarke.

The Convention then listened to

### **The Bishop's Annual Address.**

#### **BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY—**

It is made my duty to lay before you, at this time, a statement of certain particulars connected with the condition of the Church in our Diocese; to which duty, without occupying your attention with any preliminaries, I now proceed.

I have just finished the visitations of the year. The time required in attendance at the General Convention last fall, and then the necessity, after the adjournment of that body, of spending several weeks at the East, in behalf of our Diocesan Institutions, so deprived me of the best season of the year for visitations, that I have been unusually pressed with that work during the winter and spring. Sometimes fearing I had undertaken too much, and warned that I was at the least on the borders of an unwise and dangerous tasking of my physical and mental strength, I have been enabled, by the goodness of God, to terminate the labors of the year without injury, so far as I am conscious of, to myself, and with the hope that my work has not been in vain to the churches I have visited, and the many souls, of all conditions and necessities, to whom it has been my privilege and my earnest endeavor to preach the simple, precious gospel of Christ.

It is not my custom in these Addresses, to enter into the particulars of my journeys and labors. You desire to know what parishes have been visited, and what official acts have been performed in each. The number of parishes visited is sixty, besides two missionary stations not parochially organized. In each of these I have preached, and in many of them more than once; and, as you will of course believe, I have not ceased to preach, on the proper occasions, at such times as I have not

been occupied in visitations. The list of parishes, and of confirmations therein, is as follows :

St. Paul's, Steubenville, confirmed 4 ; St. John's, Cross Creek, 9 ; St. John's, East Springfield ; St. Paul's, Mount Vernon, 5 ; Missionary station at Hartford, 8 ; St. James', Painesville, 3 ; St. Michael's, Unionville ; St. Peter's, Ashtabula, 20 ; St. Matthew's, Plymouth, 5 ; Trinity, Jefferson ; St. Paul's, Chillicothe (vacant) ; St. John's, Lancaster (rector absent from sickness) ; St. James', Zanesville, 5 ; Trinity, Newark ; St. Luke's, Granville, 8 ; Trinity, Columbus, 11 ; St. Paul's, Columbus, 6 ; Epiphany, Urbana, 3 ; St. Peter's, Delaware, 8 ; Grace, Berkshire ; St. John's, Worthington, 10 ; Christ Church, Clinton, 4 ; Christ Church, Dayton, 3 ; St. Paul's, Cincinnati, 17 ; Grace, Mansfield, 1 ; St. Paul's, Cleveland, 15 ; Trinity, Cleveland ; St. John's, Cleveland, 7 ; Grace, Cleveland, 7 ; St. Paul's, Euclid (vacant) ; Christ Church, Franklin, 1 ; Christ Church, Hudson, 3 ; St. Paul's, Akron, 3 ; St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, 3 ; St. Paul's, Medina, 2 ; St. Philip's, Strongsville, 1 ; St. Luke's, Columbia, 6 ; St. Timothy's, Massillon, 4 ; St. Stephen's, Canfield (vacant) ; St. James', Boardman (vacant) ; St. Mark's, Newton Falls (vacant) ; Christ Church, Warren, 10 ; St. John's, Cincinnati, 18 ; Mission Chapel, Cincinnati, 7 ; All Saints', Portsmouth, 16 ; Christ Church, Ironton, 10 ; St. Luke's, Marietta ; Trinity, Tiffin, 8 ; Grace, Sandusky, 5 ; Trinity, Toledo, 16 ; St. Paul's, Maumee ; St. John's, Napoleon ; Grace, Defiance, 3 ; St. Paul's, Fremont, 2 ; St. Luke's, Milan ; Christ Church, Huron, 5 ; St. Paul's, Norwalk, 5 ; Trinity, Lyme (vacant) ; St. Paul's, Bellevue (vacant) ; Harcourt, Gambier, at two visitations, 19 ; Christ Church, Cincinnati, 15 ; Calvary, Clifton ; St. James', Piqua, 4 — in all, 325.

The Ordinations have been as follows :

To the Order of Deacons—James L. Grover, Peter H. Jeffries, John P. Curran, Warren H. Roberts, Moses Hamilton, Charles W. Farns, J. H. C. Bontè, Richard L. Chittenden, Benj. T. Noakes—9.

To the Order of Priests—James L. Grover, Wm. F. Lloyd, James A. M. La Tourrette—3.

The present Candidates for Orders are—Henry H. Messinger, Cornelius J. Abbott, Charles G. W. Currie, Wm. Fulton, Wm. J. Allston, Richard Holden, Richard L. Ganter—7.

The following clergymen have been canonically united to the Diocese by letters dimissory—The Rev. John A. Bowman, from Pennsylvania, residing at Ashtabula ; Rev. William Withington, from Massachusetts, temporarily officiating at Trinity Church, Troy ; Rev. Thomas G. Addison, from Virginia, who has taken charge of St. James' Church, Zanesville ; Rev. J. H. Haven, who had charge for a short time of Trinity Church, Troy, and Rev. J. J. McElhinney, from Pennsylvania, who is Professor of Pastoral Divinity in the Theological Seminary of the Diocese at Gambier — 5.

The following have left the Diocese—The Rev. L. N. Freeman, to Illinois ; Rev. Charles Purviance, to New York ; Rev. Thomas B. Fairchild, to Western New York ; Rev. Thomas Corlett, to Wisconsin ; Rev. J. W. Claxton, to Pennsylvania ; Rev. J. H. Haven, to Illinois, and Rev. W. B. Rally, to Canada West — 7.

We have lost one of our ministry by removal out of this life—the Rev. William Granville—who for some years previous to his death had retired from parochial charge, and had resided at Medina. We trust he has made a good exchange, and that being now absent from the body, he is present with the Lord.

The following changes of charge and of residence have taken place within the Diocese—The Rev. George S. Davis has resigned the charge of Trinity Church, Lyme, and taken that of St. Paul's, Medina ; Rev. C. S. Doolittell has resigned St. James', Boardman, and St. Stephen's, Canfield, and taken charge of St. Luke's, Granville, and the spiritual care of the Granville Female Seminary ; Rev. G. W. DuBois, having been for some time disabled by ill health from having charge of a parish, has just now accepted and removed to that of St. Paul's, Chillicothe ; Rev. Joshua T. Eaton, residing at Painesville, has taken charge of St. Matthew's, Plymouth, and Trinity, Jefferson ; Rev. Francis Granger

has resigned St. Andrew's, Elyria ; Rev. Ezra B. Kellogg has removed from Granville, where he officiated in the temporary charge of the parish in that place, (being not desirous of a full parochial connection,) and has made his residence at Gambier ; Rev. Edward H. Kennedy has resigned St. Paul's, Medina ; Rev. R. K. Nash has resigned St. James', Wooster, and taken charge of Grace, Berkshire, and a missionary station at Hartford ; Rev. Henry Payne has resigned Grace, Berkshire ; Rev. Dr. Perry has resigned his connection with the parish of Grace Church, Cleveland ; Rev. James L. Grover has taken charge of the Church of the Epiphany, Urbana ; Rev. Peter H. Jeffries, of Grace Church, Mansfield ; Rev. John P. Curran, of St. Luke's, Milan ; Rev. Warren H. Roberts, of St. Mary's, Hillsboro' ; Rev. Moses Hamilton, of Grace, Defiance, and St. John's, Napoleon ; Rev. Richard L. Chittenden, of St. Paul's, Fremont ; Rev. Cha's W. Fearns, of St. James', Cross Creek, and a missionary work in parts adjacent ; Rev. J. H. C. Bontè, since his ordination as Deacon, has been occupied in missionary work at St. Matthew's, Perry, and St. Mark's, Mill Creek, while continuing connected with the Theological Seminary.

I am sorry that I have not to report any new churches consecrated. Those completed and remaining unconsecrated, have not yet placed themselves in such independence of pecuniary encumbrance as would warrant their consecration. There are three others, which are nearly completed, and will soon be in a condition to apply for that service.

During my visitations, I have seen some attention given to the important matter of providing Parsonage Houses for the parish clergy. But it is remarkable how little consideration is given to that subject. If, after a church is prepared for worship, it were universally considered that the very next step, in point of importance, is the provision of a comfortable and permanent home for the pastor, where his feeble income will not be subject to the great cost of house rent, as it is in most of our towns ; nor to the increase of rent from year to year, as the cost of living advances, and thus the value of his salary decreases ; where he can feel that he and his family really have a home, and

home feelings and attachments may grow up around him ; where he can secure a quiet place for his study, and have a sufficient area of ground adjoining, (as may easily be the case in most of our parishes,) for a garden which his own hands may cultivate, for the good of his health and the help of his living—how much more valuable then would be the little salaries which the most of our clergy receive ; how much stronger the local ties binding them to their parishes ; how much less accessible would they be to inducements to remove. In some parishes, it is impossible, under present circumstances, to have a resident pastor, except he be a single man, willing to board from house to house ; because a house for a family cannot be had. We are often pained to see how little is thought of the domestic accommodation of the pastor, when a little effort, once made, would go so far in making his condition comfortable and agreeable. In ordinary circumstances, I grudge all expenditures on an organ, or a bell, or a tower, or any adornments of the church, not essentially connected with its structure, till a suitable home has been provided for the minister in charge. In every case of a parsonage, where land is not too scarce and dear, let it be considered a matter of great consequence that plenty of ground for a garden be annexed. An industrious minister may do much for his support by the pleasures of a garden. It is not important that a parsonage be near the church. Land there may be dear. On the outskirts of the town it may be cheap, and there the parsonage may be placed, in most of our towns, without being too far from the church or the parishioners.

During my visitations, my mind has often been exceedingly oppressed in witnessing the effects on our parishes of emigrations to the new Western States and Territories. The drain from among our best families—those most relied on for the strength of the parish, has been most discouraging. In some cases it has been almost, if not quite, destructive, and in many instances it has so very much weakened the parish, as to render the position of a pastor very precarious. It is a time of great trial on this account, and especially to *me*, on whom all the difficulties and discouragements of all the churches of the diocese, in a measure concentrate. And when I unite with this, what we wit-

ness on every side—the very great advance in the cost of all the necessary articles of food—and then ask what account is taken of this in the provision for the support of the ministry; how far, as the salaries have decreased in value, they have been increased in amount; how far, as men of business find it necessary to increase the wages of their servants, banks of their clerks, railroads of their engineers, so that it is not supposed that the most ordinary hand can be had for what was paid ten years ago—when we ask, I say, how far there is evidence of similar justice toward ministers of the Gospel—we confess we are often tempted to a measure of despondency, as to the issue in the future, of influences now at work, which it requires all our faith to overcome. What is to be the end of these two things, viz: the constant depreciation of the salaries of our clergy by increase of the expenses of living, and the backwardness of the people to provide the necessary numerical addition? If, at former rates of living, the stipends were often far too small, what must they be now? If it can be any consolation to my brethren to know that I think of them and feel for them continually in this aspect of their condition, with the deepest solicitude and sympathy, they have that much comfort. But we must trust that God will incline the hearts of our people to a more just consideration of the interests of religion and the Church as involved in this subject. Meanwhile, however, we are passing through a season of great trial in this diocese. Let us be patient. Let us labor on in faith and hope—more diligent in the great work of our high calling—more fervent in spirit and earnest in prayer; knowing that, whatever the outward aspect, our labor is not in vain in the Lord.

I would put a question to my brethren of the clergy, suggested by certain peculiarities of these times. Is the Lord's day, the Christian Sabbath, as much brought out in your ministrations—is it as prominently preached as to its authority and sacredness, its importance to the individual, the family and the nation; the duties it involves and the employments it forbids—as it ought to be? I simply ask the question for the sake of putting you on the consideration.

To no country—no civilized people, on the face of the earth, is the precious and merciful institution of the Sabbath, so inestimable as ours. The more the six days are engrossed in intense mind and heart-exhausting worldly labors, excitements and competitions; the more powerful the dominion of the cares of this life—so much the more sacredly must we guard the privilege and the duty of keeping holy that one precious day for sacred rest, for public worship—that one great opportunity to press home the truths, and promises, and invitations of the Gospel. What would become of this land, with all its unexampled pressure, and almost insane excitement after worldly gain—what would become of all our anchors against that powerful current—what of all domestic duties and interests—what of the morality, not to speak of the religion, of the land—what of the bodily and mental soundness of a people who take no other rest, were it not for that sudden stop in the pressure, that resting place in the struggle, that sweet opportunity to think of something better and purer than earthly gain, when time is given for voices from another world and the calls of the God of grace to be listened to? If there be any people who need that rest and those calls more than any other, it is the people of this land. But what fearful influences are at work to destroy our Sabbath. Think of the masses that come annually from Europe, so few of them, if they be nominally Christians, having any higher idea of the day, than as a time to spend an hour at church and the rest in idleness and festivity. Think of the infidelity, indigenous and imported, rapidly increasing in strength, and boldness, and activity, and how it hates, and is desperately leagued for the destruction of, the Sabbath, except as a day of worldly amusement or sensual dissipation. Examine and see if loose notions of the sacredness of the day, and loose habits in regard to its observance, as to what is required and what may be allowed thereon, are not increasing, to an alarming extent, in quarters where you would expect to find better things; and then ask, Is the Sabbath brought forward as prominently and as frequently in the pulpit and other instructions, as its importance and dangers demand? I do not venture the answer. But my impression is a very deep one—that it should be, more than it is in the church

generally, one of the prominent subjects of our ministry ; and I beg my brethren to consider whether they are lacking in this respect in their daily work.

It is with much gratification that I speak of the operations of our Diocesan Missionary Committee. The division of the two departments of Education and Missions, united till this last year under one Committee, has worked well. The Education branch, under the labors of our indefatigable and self-denying agent, Mr. Strong, has been enabled to meet its appropriations; though they have exceeded those of any former year ; while the Missionary branch, with much larger appropriations than in any preceding year, as its Report will show, has been enabled to fulfill them all. For this very satisfactory result, I feel bound to say we are very deeply indebted to the large assistance from two congregations—those of St. John's and Christ Church, Cincinnati. May the cloud of God's presence refresh them, as their bounty has gladdened the hearts of our missionaries, and sustained the hands of your Missionary Committee. I trust, not only that such strong help from those sources will ever continue, but that such examples will be followed by more effort elsewhere ; for the difference between what is given in those churches and in others, is not all accounted for by a difference in numbers and in worldly substance. There is a great deal in this matter dependent on the pastor. If he thinks he does a kindness to his people by sparing them from frequent applications for their assistance to good objects ; if he thinks to increase their liberality to parochial objects by protecting them from being applied to for others, in which they have no selfish concern ; if they are not exercised in giving, and in the considerations that lead to liberal giving for good works, he is vastly mistaken in his policy. I never knew a people impoverished for good works at home by giving to good works abroad. I never knew a minister the worse supplied as to pecuniary matters, because he pressed successfully on his people the duty of being cheerful and liberal givers to whatever good cause was presented. I do not believe such a case can be found. But I have known instances in which people have become, in their own esti-

mate, the less able to give, in proportion as they have not been asked to give—have given the less to each object presented, in proportion as the calls have been limited, though they have not, by any means, been decreasing in worldly prosperity, till, at last, they felt even the small salary of their minister to be a burden which required alleviation, and all their own parochial interests decayed. It is a good rule, and very old : “ There is that scattereth and yet increaseth ; there is that withholdeth more than is meet, and it tendeth to poverty.” “ Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you,” is a counsel of our Lord that applies as well for the guidance of our parochial policy as for that of our personal prosperity. It is but another form of the word of the Lord by the Prophet Malachi : “ Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, and prove me now herewith if I will not open the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.”

I am happy to say that the encouraging state of prosperity in our Educational Institutions at Gambier, which you witnessed last June, when the Convention assembled there, continues. Every year manifests improvement, and earnest efforts, on the part of the Faculty of the College and Theological Seminary, to make further improvement in the value of the education attainable therein. More accommodation for college students—more accommodation for various important objects vitally connected with the present interests and future progress of the College—more endowment of professorships, to enable us to enlarge the advantages of the institutions, and to keep pace with an increase of expense throughout the country, which depreciates the salaries of college officers, and renders their continuance in our service less reliable, is of great present requirement, and it is hoped that measures now on foot for such objects will not be in vain.

I would draw the attention of the Convention to the provisions of the first of our Diocesan Canons, entitled, “ *Of the trial of a Clergyman not being a Bishop.*” The opinion has been expressed to me by

some of your body that it needs much alteration to make it what it ought to be. We have found it defective in attempts hitherto made to act under it. It was constructed some twenty or more years ago, and since then, the lights of experience in this and other Dioceses, with the efforts made elsewhere to meet the necessities of the Church in that direction, it is hoped may supply such assistance as may enable us to remedy its defects. I have no doubt the Canon may be very much improved.

At the last two Conventions I have endeavored to draw your attention, and that of all our congregations, through their clergy and delegates, to the subject of Church Music, with a view to the full participation of the congregations in the singing of the psalms and hymns, as well as in the utterance of the responses of our Liturgy ; with a view, also, to the putting down, or turning out of our houses of prayer, of a species of music which operates as a prohibition of congregational singing, and often a desecration, instead of a help, to our worship—music, which, had its like been found in the Temple at Jerusalem, when the Saviour overturned the tables of the money-changers, would have been driven out of the sanctuary with the same indignation that said, “*Take these things hence : my house shall be called a house of prayer.*” I am gratified to see that a right sense of the value of, and the wrongs done to this important part of public worship, is growing up among us. At our late General Convention it came prominently before that body, and in the House of Bishops the same tone of opinion and feeling that you have heard from me was strongly expressed, without a dissenting voice, on the exceedingly defective condition, at present, of congregational singing among us—the great need of reform ; of return to a simpler, plainer, more familiar music ; to a more general vocal participation by the congregation therein, and a more faithful oversight on the part of the Rector. The subject was brought forcibly before the churches in the Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops, and a committee was appointed to prepare a book of church music, with a view to the reformation desired. I trust what is now, in so many instances, nearly a *lost service* as to all devotional value, may be at last recovered ;

that what we so much value in our Liturgy, namely, the vocal participation of the people, will be considered quite as desirable when the congregation is expected to worship in psalms and hymns. Of all others, an Episcopal church should manifest this. If we have *common* prayer, and *common* hymns and psalms, we should have *common* church music, with which the latter may be used—*common*, in the sense of being used in all our churches, and level with the capacities of the people.

But I must not longer extend this address, I conclude with the earnest hope and prayer that our present assembling may be one of much prayerfulness, as well as of all faithful attention to such business as may come before us—an opportunity, diligently improved, of seeking unitedly the Lord's blessing on our Church, the revival of his work of grace in our flocks, the extension of his kingdom far and wide, the lifting up of the standard of his truth and power, now that "the enemy cometh in like a flood;" the increase of the faith, and zeal, and devotedness of his people in all the world; that the powers of darkness may be subdued, and a great multitude, that cannot be numbered, may be delivered from the bondage and death of sin, and made meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE.

On motion by Rev. Mr. Reynolds, amended and seconded by Rev. Mr. McElroy,

*Resolved*, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to Clergymen's Salaries and to Parsonage Houses be referred to a committee of three laymen.

On motion by Rev. Dr. Bronson,

*Resolved*, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the subject of Church Music be referred to a committee of four—two of each order.

On motion by Rev. Mr. Sturges,

*Resolved*, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to Canon I, "Of the Trial of Clergymen," be referred to the committee on Canons.

On motion by Rev. Dr. Watson,

*Resolved*, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the increasing desecration of the Sabbath be referred to a committee of four —two of each order.

The Bishop retired for the purpose of selecting the above committees, after having called the Rev. Dr. Burr to the Chair.

Rev. Dr. Burr in the Chair: the Rev. Mr. Reynolds offered the following preamble and resolution, which were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, it has pleased our Heavenly Father to spare to this Diocese now for a quarter of a century, our venerable and beloved Diocesan, although he has been during this long period in journeyings often, in perils of waters, in weariness and painfulness, besides that which cometh upon him daily, the care of all the Churches; and

Whereas, we behold him to-day at the completion of the twenty-fifth year of his apostolic office, in apparent health and strength, both of body and mind, with his eye not dimmed, nor his natural force abated; therefore,

*Resolved*, That in order to give expression to the views and feelings of this Convention, a committee, consisting of six Clergymen and six Laymen, (one-half of whom to be from the number of those connected with the Diocese twenty-five years ago,) be appointed, to draw up and present a report on the subject for the action of this body.

The Chair appointed Rev. Messrs. McElroy, Fitch, Bryan, Butler, Bronson, and Reynolds; and Messrs. Benedict, Coleman, Munger, Aiken, C. E. Burr, and Sparrow, said committee.

The Rev. Mr. McElroy presented and read the following report of the committee on Female Education, which was accepted:

The committee on Female Education report that owing to the pressing wants of our Diocesan Institutions at Gambier, they have deemed it advisable to refrain from drawing in any general way upon the Diocese for funds to promote the interesting and important object of Christian benevolence with which they have been entrusted; and that they have confined themselves to making application for pecuniary aid by

letter, through their Agent and Secretary, to a few well-known friends of the object for which they were appointed. Through their agency, and in this quiet way, poor and respectable daughters of our Church have in more than one instance been greatly relieved, encouraged and comforted.

Your committee are happy to report that they have easily found members of our communion who stand ready to give of their abundance to aid worthy young females of our Church, and particularly the daughters of our poorer Clergy, who are exceedingly anxious to obtain a liberal education, but whose parents are but little able to afford them any assistance, to save them from sinking into hopeless ignorance and wretchedness. One gentleman, William Procter, of Cincinnati, has this year generously assumed the whole tuition (\$60) of the daughter of one of our poor and aged clergy, and we doubt not that other like-minded men may be found among our laity. The committee, therefore, very strenuously commend this department of Christian benevolence to the fostering care of the Convention.

The following is a statement in brief of our receipts and expenditures:

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| Received by our Agent, S. N. Sanford, | . . . . . | \$107.00 |
| "    by Treasurer from W. Procter,    | . . . . . | 15.00    |
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|                                       |           | \$122.00 |
| Paid by Mr. Sanford to Beneficiaries, | . . . . . | \$107.00 |
| "    by Treasurer to Beneficiary,     | . . . . . | 15.00    |
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|                                       |           | \$122.00 |

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. McELROY,  
*for the Committee.*

The Bishop resumed the Chair.

The Rev. Mr. McElroy offered the following report of the committee on the erection of a Mural Tablet to the memory of Bishop Chase:

The committee on the Mural Monument, to be erected in Rosse Chapel, Gambier, to the late Right Rev. Philander Chase, D.D., are still unable to make a final report. The committee hope that they have faithfully endeavored to effect all that could be accomplished by circular and letter, and yet the whole sum received for the monument amounts to only eighty-four dollars.

An obvious sense of propriety has induced them to confine their appeal to our own Diocese. They are, however, happy to add that encouragements have reached them from many quarters. At Gambier, the generous subscription of \$171 has been made to the monument.

Prof. Lathrop has kindly taken charge of this subscription, and it is believed that the whole will be secured. Rice Harper, Esq., of Sandusky City, has remitted, from a few subscribers in the parish of Grace Church, Sandusky, \$20; the Rev. Mr. Farns, from the small parish of St. James', Cross Creek, \$19; and equally generous contributions are promised from other parishes and individuals.

Two facts very satisfactorily ascertained by the committee it may be proper to submit to the Convention. First, That but little can be collected for a plain and simple mural tablet. Second, That nothing at all approaching what a suitable out-door monument would cost can be obtained. The out-door monument, it is well known, is exceedingly perishable, unless erected on a deep and heavy foundation, and built in a most solid, massive, and expensive form. Besides, for a great deal less than a fourth of the cost of a suitable and most inexpensive out-door monument, a mural monument of greater richness, and more highly commemorative, can be erected; and while such an out-door monument could hardly be preserved any great length of time, the mural monument will be perfect and fresh, if properly put up, while the building stands in which it has been placed for preservation; and surely it is difficult to conceive of any place more suitable for the preservation of a monument to Bishop Chase, than the chapel of the Institutions of which he was the great founder.

The committee have obtained the sketch of a design for such a monument. The upper part of this monument is a pyramidal slab, some nine feet by five, with an architectural panel, corniced and supported on consoles for its substructure, and a slab, finished as a base, supported or unsupported by a foundation springing from the ground, as may be decided. The slab of the panel for the inscription is some three feet square. The whole monument, without a foundation, would be some sixteen feet in height, and seven feet at its greatest width. Upon the base slab are sculptured a crook, mitre, robe, and volume laid aside; and upon the apex slab a medallion likeness of the Bishop, with a hand from a cloud taking it up, and above the cloud an irradiated crown, all in *alto reliefo*. Your committee fondly indulge the hope that the Diocese will enable them to erect this year some such monument, to hand down to future ages the reverence which we cherish for the memory of Bishop Chase.

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| Total amount received,   | . | . | . | . | . | \$84 00   |
| Paid printing circulars, | . | . | . | . | . | 1 00      |
| " postage,               | . | . | . | . | . | 1 33—2 33 |

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| Amount on hand, | . | . | . | . | . | \$81 67 |
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All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. McELROY,  
E. BURR,  
D. K. CADY, } Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Schenck moved to amend the report

of the Bishop Chase Monument committee, by substituting the following resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the committee on erecting a Mural Tablet in Rosse Chapel to the memory of Bishop Chase, be instructed to inquire into the expediency of erecting, in the stead thereof, a Monument, to stand in front of Kenyon College ; and that the committee have power to solicit funds for this latter purpose, and that they make full report to the next Convention of their effort in this behalf.

The President, in accordance with previous resolutions, appointed the following committees on various subjects alluded to in the Bishop's Address :

*Committee on Parsonages, etc.*—Messrs. D. K. Cady, D. D. Aiken and Asa Coleman.

*Committee on Church Music*—Rev. Dr. Bronson, Rev. Mr. Holden, and Messrs. George Keck, and H. N. Greene.

*Committee on the Observance of the Sabbath*—Rev. Drs. Watson, and Brooke, and Messrs. W. Munger, and A. B. Sams.

The Rev. Mr. Holden read, by request, the following report:

The undersigned, Trustee of the "Bethel Church (Peninsula) Fund," respectfully reports as follows :

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| Present amount of fund,         | \$1735.50                |
| Present income paid Mr. Hollis, | 133.44                   |
|                                 | A. A. BREWSTER, Trustee. |

HUDSON, May 27th, 1857.

The other Trustee, the Rev. Mr. Fairchild, having removed from the Diocese, on the nomination of the Rt. Rev. the Bishop, the Rev. L. L. Holden was unanimously elected to fill his place.

The Rev. Dr. Claxton offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the committee on Canons be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending Article II of the Constitution of this Diocese, by the omission of all following the word "*quorum*" in the last paragraph of the Article ; also, of so amending Canon II, as to include all the male communicants of a Parish among the qualified

voters thereof, and to provide that none but communicants shall be eligible to the office of Warden.

On motion by Mr. E. W. Palmer,

*Resolved*, That the committee on Canons be instructed to inquire what provision should be made to enable a parish to fill vacancies that may occur in vestries in the interval between the annual elections.

On motion by the Rev. Mr. Fitch,

*Ordered*, That the appointment of the permanent committees be made the order of the day immediately after reading the minutes to-morrow morning.

After which, on motion, the Convention adjourned till nine o'clock, a. m., on Friday.

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FRIDAY, JUNE 5TH, 1857.

The Convention assembled and engaged in devotional services.

After which the Secretary called the roll, when several additional members answered to their names, and took their seats.\*

The Committee on Credentials reported additional lay delegates, whose names being called, several answered and took their seats.\*

The Bishop called upon the Clergy for the Parochial and Clerical Reports, which were presented and laid on the Secretary's table.

\* See pages 8, 10, and 11.

The Rev. J. Rice Taylor, Chairman of the committee on Unfinished Business, presented the following report :

The committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to report that they find

On page 43, of the last Journal, a committee appointed to devise a plan by which the Convention can receive and hold charitable funds.

On same page, a committee to devise a plan for the immediate endowment of the Episcopate.

On page 45, a committee to confer with the Western Church Extension Society, for the purpose of presenting the wants of our Diocese.

On page 51, a committee in relation to deficit in funds for payment of current expenses in our Diocesan Institutions at Gambier.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. RICE TAYLOR, } Committee.  
FRED. WOLCOTT, }

The order of the day being the election of the permanent committees, on motion by Rev. Mr. Reynolds, the election of the Missionary and Education Committees was deferred to a future session.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to the election of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

Rev. Mr. Gray and Mr. M. M. Granger were appointed Tellers.

Rev. Mr. Nicholson, by request of Mr. D. B. Pier-  
son, withdrew the name of that gentleman from  
nomination, and nominated in his stead Mr. T. G.  
Odiorne.

Rev. Mr. McElroy nominated Rev. C. W. Fitch.

Upon counting the ballots, the tellers reported the following gentlemen elected :

STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.

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| Rev. W. R. Nicholson, | Messrs. James Hall, |
| C. M. Butler, D.D.,   | David K. Cady,      |
| C. W. Fitch,          | Thomas G. Odiorne.  |

The Rev. Dr. Claxton presented the following report of the committee appointed at the last Convention on the subject of the deficit in the income of the Diocesan College and Seminary, which was accepted :

The committee appointed by the last Convention to address the Wardens of the Parishes in reference to the deficit in the income of the Theological Seminary and of Kenyon College, respectfully report :

That they have sent to the Wardens of all the Parishes in the Diocese a Circular, a copy of which is herewith presented. It will be seen that the suggestion is therein made, that the representatives of those Parishes that have not already done their part in this work, should come to this Convention prepared to pledge or to contribute the amount still needful.

R. B. CLAXTON,  
PLATT BENEDICT, } Committee.  
S. D. HARRIS,

(*Copy of Circular.*)

"BRETHREN :

At the Convention of this Diocese, held at Gambier, in June last, it was ascertained that the necessary expenditures of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, for the year ending August 1st, 1857, were likely to exceed the income by an amount not less than \$3,000. The deficit, for the year then current, (1855-6,) was stated to be \$300. A subscription was at once made, and pledges obtained, amounting to \$2,500; and the undersigned were appointed a committee to communicate with the Wardens of the respective Parishes, with a view of obtaining from them contributions for supplying the expected deficiency in the income of the ensuing year, as well as the actual deficiency in that of the present.

The liberal pledges, of which we have spoken, left the committee but a comparatively light work to do; and that work has been delayed thus late in the conventional year, that there might, if possible, be a more accurate estimate obtained of what would be actually needed. A recent meeting of the Trustees, held at Columbus, has given an opportunity for this estimate to be made; and the committee therefore proceed to ask the Wardens of the Parishes to take immediate action on this important subject.

A few words may explain to those who were not present at the last Convention the reasons for this appeal.

The Trustees, you are aware, have felt that for the prosperity of the Institution it was indispensable that a full and competent corps of Professors, both in the College and in the Seminary, should be provided and sustained. The remarkable and gratifying increase in the number of students in the College and the Grammar School has been, in part, at least, a result of this policy; and, in part, it became an occasion

for the employment of additional Instructors. But the tuition fees, etc., paid by the students, although trebled in amount during the last three years, could not be expected to meet the increased expenditures of the College: while the Theological Seminary Students, (as is well known,) pay neither tuition nor room-rent. The new Professorships are not yet endowed; although measures are in progress for this purpose. The salaries formerly paid to the Professors were altogether inadequate; and the Trustees, following the dictates at once of justice and of prudence, felt bound to add to existing salaries, at least such a sum as should enable the incumbents of the several Chairs to retain their positions without too great personal sacrifice. At the same time, the revenues from rents have been somewhat diminished by the necessity for using, for Professors' residences and for the Grammar School, buildings which had formerly been leased to others.

The deficit has thus been caused by our prosperity. The Bishop and the Board of Trustees are sanguine of ultimate success in their present efforts to secure an endowment, which will enable the Institution to enlarge its capacity for usefulness, and prevent the recurrence of embarrassment in its finances. They have already authorized the President of the College, as Chairman of the Building committee, to commence the erection of a new edifice, which will be provided for by friends in the Eastern States, and which will give accommodation for the increasing number of students. But while these plans are yet incomplete, the friends of the Institution in our own Diocese must contribute freely for its maintenance. The Trustees are resolved that the endowment, already in their care, shall not be lessened or hazarded. They appeal therefore to the Diocese to provide for present necessities.

We append to this appeal a list of the pledges made at the last Convention. We ask you, then, in the name of Kenyon College and of the Theological Seminary—in the name of the sacred cause of Education, under the protection and guidance of Religion—in the name of the Convention and the Church in this Diocese—(may we not add, in the name of that blessed Saviour for whose honor and for the interests of whose kingdom these Institutions were established)—to do what you can in their behalf.

We trust that your Parish, by its representatives at the Convention at Piqua, will assume its just share of the work now to be done. Pledges, to be redeemed on or before August first, will meet the views of the Trustees. Better still, however, remittances may at once be made to the Rev. Dr. Wing, the Agent of the Seminary, at Gambier. It is certainly desirable that every Parish, however feeble, should have a part in a work in which all must feel so deep an interest. If each will do according to its ability, the treasury will be speedily replenished."

The Bishop, in accordance with Canon IV, reported the following parishes as, in his opinion, essentially

defunct, and requested the Convention to take some action on the subject :

Parish of St. James' Church, Kingston.  
Parish of Christ Church, Yellow Springs.  
Parish of Christ Church, Xenia.

On motion, the subject was referred to the committee on Missions and Education.

The Bishop made the following nominations for committee to attend examinations at Gambier, which, on motion, were unanimously confirmed, the ballot being dispensed with :

COMMITTEE TO ATTEND EXAMINATIONS.

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| Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., | Gov. S. P. Chase, LL.D., |
| L. Burton,               | Rufus King, Esq.,        |
| C. Reynolds,             | Hon. G. I. Young,        |
| E. C. Benson,            | M. M. Granger, Esq.,     |
| J. A. M. La Tourrette,   | H. D. Cooke, Esq.,       |
| J. R. Taylor,            | Douglass Case, M.D.      |

Rev. Mr. Reynolds, from the committee appointed at last Convention to attend examinations at Gambier, made the following report, which was accepted :

The undersigned, members of the committee appointed by the last Convention, to attend the examinations at Gambier, respectfully report :

That the three examinations which have been held during the past year in the College and Grammar School were highly creditable to both professors and students. The methods of recitation, of which the examinations afforded a specimen, are well calculated, in the opinion of the committee, to awaken the interest of the student, and to induce close and critical study—study, not so much of results, as of general principles and laws. The effect of such a system of instruction is to throw the student upon his own resources; and the habit thus formed, of always seeking a *reason*, stimulates his power of analysis, quickens his perception, and strengthens his confidence in the correctness of his conclusions. These results were apparent, at all the examinations, and they afforded a most gratifying evidence of the patient and judicious care of the professors.

At the end of the fall and winter terms, the College classes in

Latin, Greek, and Mathematics were examined in a mode which is new in this Institution, and but little practiced in this country. As no other method can compare with this, either as a *fair and rigid test* of scholarship or as a healthy *ever-acting stimulus* to effort, we would call to it the more especial attention.

Having been first subjected to an *oral* examination of nearly an hour, (consisting in reading portions of their text indicated by the examiners, and answering questions propounded by those present,) each class was conducted to an adjoining room, and each member seated, apart from every other. A printed list of questions was then brought forward, a copy of which was given to each, who, without changing his seat, consulting a book, or speaking to any one, was expected to prepare, promptly, a written answer to every question.

*Grammar School*.—The different examinations at Milnor Hall (the Grammar School) were highly satisfactory. As a school preparatory to the College, it cannot, we think, be regarded with more favor than it richly deserves. Its head is modest, prompt and thorough.

*Bexley Hall*.—The annual examination of the Theological Students was attended at the usual time; and your committee take great pleasure in saying that in Exegetical studies, in Pastoral and Systematic Divinity, and in Ecclesiastical History, the classes—but especially the present Middle class—gave great evidence of close application on the part of the students, and of great care and faithfulness on the part of the learned Faculty.

In all the institutions, your committee observed that there was a strong tie of mutual confidence and esteem between the *teacher* and the *taught*. This they regard as an omen most favorable to ripe scholarship and good morals.

To dwell upon the acknowledged ability and experience of the present Faculties, and the administrative talent of the President of the College, would be a work of supererogation.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHAS. REYNOLDS,  
GEORGE WATSON,  
LEWIS BURTON,  
JOHN BOYD,  
MOSES M. GRANGER.

The Convention then took a recess till two o'clock,  
p. m.

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Two o'clock, p. m.

Convention met and engaged in singing and prayer.

The calling of the roll was dispensed with.

Mr. T. G. Odiorne, Treasurer of the Diocese, reported informally the condition of the finances.

The Bishop called the Rev. Dr. Bronson to the chair, and retired.

The Rev. Mr. McElroy, from the committee appointed yesterday to take into consideration the subject of the completion of the first quarter of a century of the present Diocesan's Episcopate, read the following report, which was received, and the accompanying resolutions adopted :

The committee appointed under the preamble and resolution referring to the continued preservation of the life and services of our beloved Bishop, unanimously adopted by the Convention during the temporary presidency yesterday of the Rev. Dr. Burr, submit the following as their report :

With devout gratitude to God, we congratulate the Diocese that a kind and merciful Providence has spared Bishop McIlvaine to fill her Episcopate, with unabated vigor and increasing ability and usefulness, for a full quarter of a century.

No one in our Diocese but a Bishop of well-known soundness in the faith—of moderate and conservative churchmanship—of gentle, tender, and affectionate sympathy with the people of God of every name and country, and capable of commanding the respect of all, could have succeeded in dispelling, in any good degree, the cloud of prejudice which hung over our Church in Ohio. We congratulate the Diocese that a gracious Providence furnished and has so long blessed us with a Bishop adapted to our wants.

The past quarter of a century has been, in the Church, as well as in political life, one of the most eventful epochs in the history of the world. During this period the ark of God has been ruthlessly assailed. We recall with gratitude that the faith once delivered to the saints has found in Bishop McIlvaine so bold and able a defender.

*Resolved*, therefore, That we devoutly thank God for preserving the life and strength of our honored and beloved Bishop, and pray that his valuable services may be long continued to our Diocese and the Church at large.

*Resolved*, As a further expression and permanent memorial of the feelings of this Convention, that the Bishop be respectfully requested to sit for his portrait, to be placed in Bexley Hall, at such time, and in such a manner, as may be arranged with him by a committee to be appointed for that purpose.

*Resolved*, That a committee of —— be appointed to carry this resolution into effect.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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| JAMES McELROY,<br>C. W. FITCH,<br>J. L. BRYAN,<br>S. A. BRONSON,<br>C. M. BUTLER,<br>CHARLES REYNOLDS,<br>PLATT BENEDICT,<br>WARREN MUNGER,<br>ASA COLEMAN,<br>C. E. BURR,<br>THOMAS SPARROW,<br>D. D. AIKEN, | Committee. |
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On motion it was

*Ordered*, That the blank in the last resolution be filled with the word "five."

The Chair appointed as the committee to carry these resolutions into effect, and to communicate them to the Right Reverend the Bishop, and obtain his consent to sit for the contemplated portrait, the Rev. Messrs. McElroy, Wing, Smith, Butler, and Nicholson.

The Rev. Dr. Bolles, Chairman of the committee on the Immediate Endowment of the Episcopate, appointed at the last Convention, presented the following report, which was received :

The committee appointed at the last Convention of the Diocese, on the Endowment of the Episcopate, and on the increase of the salary of the Bishop, respectfully report :

That in consequence of a series of domestic afflictions in the family of the Chairman, no formal meeting of the committee has been held, but informally the matter has been thoroughly considered, and the committee are more and more deeply impressed with the importance and necessity of creating at once a permanent endowment for the support of the Episcopate ; and we cannot but believe that an effort to this effect will be liberally responded to from all parts of the Diocese. We are also confident that the Diocese is fully prepared immediately to increase the salary of the Bishop by an increased assessment, at least upon the larger and wealthier Parishes.

On the endowment of the Episcopate, your committee recommend

the appointment of an agent of this Convention to canvass the Diocese ; that said agent adopt as the main plan of his operations a subscription, in notes of \$100 each, payable at bank in five equal annual installments, with annual interest ; at the same time not refusing any other sums which may be otherwise contributed ; and that in the said notes, which shall be prepared in blank, the fact shall be stated that the Convention is pledged, in case of the division of the Diocese, to make an equitable division of the Episcopate Fund.

For the immediate increase of the salary of the Bishop, the committee recommend an increase of the assessment by the committee on Finance. And for the accomplishment of the whole, your committee propose the following resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That . . . . . be appointed the agent of this Convention for the Endowment of the Episcopate.

2. *Resolved*, That in every Parish which may be visited by the agent of this Convention, it shall be the duty of the Rector and Wardens of said Parish to assist and coöperate with him for the accomplishment of the object of his appointment.

3. *Resolved*, That the salary of the Bishop be increased to three thousand dollars per annum, and that the committee on Finance be instructed to increase the assessment upon such of the Parishes as in their judgment may be able to meet an increase for that purpose ; and that the said increased assessment be continued until such time as the contemplated endowment may render it unnecessary.

4. *Resolved*, That at the expiration of each six months, when the semi-annual payment of the salary of the Bishop is due, the Treasurer is authorized promptly to pay the same, and in case he shall not be in funds for that purpose, he may borrow the same, on the credit of the Diocese, at such rate of interest as may be necessary.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES A. BOLLES, *Chairman.*

The third resolution in said report was first considered. A motion to substitute \$2500 for \$3000, was lost, and the resolution as originally reported was adopted.

The fourth resolution the committee had leave to withdraw.

On motion, the committee on Canons was instructed to amend Canon XV, so as to correspond with the third resolution just passed.

The consideration of the first and second resolu-

tions was postponed for a few moments by general consent, when

The Rev. Mr. Reynolds offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Finance Committee:

*Resolved*, That the Finance Committee be requested to report to this Convention their views of the expediency of so increasing the assessments of parishes to the Contingent Fund, as to enable them to defray the actual traveling expenses, to and from Convention, of all parochial clergymen whose parishes have met the requirements of Canons XV and XVII.

The Rev. Mr. McElroy, from the Finance Committee, presented the following scale of assessments for the coming year, which was adopted:

ASSESSMENTS FOR 1857-58.

| NAMES OF PARISHES.              | Episcopate Fund. | Contingt Fund. |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Akron, St. Paul's.....          | \$20 00          | \$7 00         |
| Ashtabula, St. Peter's.....     | 40 00            | 8 00           |
| Bellevue, St. Paul's.....       | 13 00            | 3 00           |
| Berkshire, Grace.....           | 13 00            | 3 00           |
| Boardman, St. James'.....       | 13 00            | 3 00           |
| Canfield, St. Stephen's.....    | 10 00            | 3 00           |
| Chillicothe, St. Paul's.....    | 86 00            | 15 00          |
| Cincinnati, Christ.....         | 350 00           | 67 00          |
| Cincinnati, St. John's.....     | 250 00           | 38 00          |
| Cincinnati, St. Paul's.....     | 250 00           | 38 00          |
| Circleville, St. Philip's.....  | 45 00            | 10 00          |
| Cleveland, Grace.....           | 53 00            | 12 00          |
| Cleveland, St. John's.....      | 63 00            | 12 00          |
| Cleveland, St. Paul's .....     | 133 00           | 18 00          |
| Cleveland, Trinity.....         | 150 00           | 18 00          |
| Clifton, Calvary.....           | 20 00            | 8 00           |
| Clinton, Christ.....            | 3 00             | 1 00           |
| Columbia, St. Luke's.....       | 3 00             | 1 00           |
| Columbus, St. Paul's .....      | 20 00            | 8 00           |
| Columbus, Trinity.....          | 150 00           | 25 00          |
| Cross Creek, St. James' .....   | 20 00            | 7 00           |
| Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's..... | 15 00            | 7 00           |
| Dayton, Christ.....             | 80 00            | 13 00          |
| Defiance, Grace .....           | 3 00             | 1 00           |
| Delaware, St. Peter's.....      | 75 00            | 14 00          |

## ASSESSMENTS CONTINUED.

| NAMES OF PARISHES.               | Episcopate Fund. | Contingt Fund. |
|----------------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Dresden, Zion .....              | 20 00            | 7 00           |
| E. Liverpool, St. Stephen's..... | 2 00             | 1 00           |
| E. Plymouth, St. Matthew's ..... | 4 00             | 2 00           |
| Elyria, St. Andrew's .....       | 7 00             | 3 00           |
| Euclid, St. Paul's .....         | 8 00             | 1 00           |
| Franklin, Christ .....           | 6 00             | 1 00           |
| Fremont, St. Paul's.....         | 12 00            | 3 00           |
| Gallipolis, St. Peter's .....    | 3 00             | 2 00           |
| Gambier, Harcourt .....          | 130 00           | 15 00          |
| Grafton, St. Stephen's.....      | 4 00             | 3 00           |
| Granville, St. Luke's .....      | 15 00            | 6 00           |
| Greenville, St. Paul's .....     | 3 00             | 2 00           |
| Hamilton, St. Matthew's.....     | 4 00             | 1 00           |
| Hartsgrove, St. Paul's.....      | 2 00             | 1 00           |
| Hillsboro', St. Mary's .....     | 16 00            | 4 00           |
| Hudson, Christ.....              | 20 00            | 7 00           |
| Huron, Christ .....              | 10 00            | 3 00           |
| Ironton, Christ.....             | 4 00             | 2 00           |
| Jefferson, Trinity.....          | 5 00             | 1 00           |
| Lancaster, St. John's .....      | 20 00            | 6 00           |
| Lyme, Trinity.....               | 15 00            | 2 00           |
| Madison, St. Matthew's .....     | 10 00            | 2 00           |
| Mansfield, Grace.....            | 20 00            | 6 00           |
| Marietta, St. Luke's.....        | 20 00            | 8 00           |
| Marion, St. Paul's.....          | 15 00            | 3 00           |
| Massillon, St. Timothy's.....    | 60 00            | 15 00          |
| Maumee City, St. Paul's.....     | 5 00             | 2 00           |
| Medina, St. Paul's .....         | 30 00            | 6 00           |
| Milan, St. Luke's.....           | 8 00             | 3 00           |
| Mill Creek, St. Mark's.....      | 6 00             | 2 00           |
| Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's.....      | 100 00           | 15 00          |
| Napoleon, St. John's.....        | 3 00             | 1 00           |
| Newark, Trinity.....             | 44 00            | 12 00          |
| Norwalk, St. Paul's.....         | 44 00            | 13 00          |
| Oberlin, Christ.....             | 6 00             | 3 00           |
| Painesville, St. James'.....     | 20 00            | 8 00           |
| Penfield, Christ .....           | 3 00             | 1 00           |
| Peninsula, Bethel.....           | 4 00             | 1 00           |
| Perry, St. Matthew's.....        | 5 00             | 2 00           |
| Piqua, St. James' .....          | 80 00            | 15 00          |
| Pomeroy, Grace.....              | 20 00            | 6 00           |
| Portsmouth, All Saints'.....     | 100 00           | 15 00          |
| Rome, St. Peter's.....           | 2 00             | 1 00           |
| Sandusky, Grace .....            | 100 00           | 14 00          |
| Springfield, Christ.....         | 26 00            | 6 00           |

## ASSESSMENTS CONTINUED.

| NAME OF PARISHES.            | Episcopate Fund. | Conting Fund. |
|------------------------------|------------------|---------------|
| St. Clairsville, St. Thomas' | 2 00             | 1 00          |
| Steubenville, St. Paul's     | 90 00            | 15 00         |
| Strongsville, St. Philip's   | 3 00             | 1 00          |
| Tiffin, Trinity              | 4 00             | 2 00          |
| Toledo, Trinity              | 85 00            | 13 00         |
| Troy, Trinity                | 12 00            | 2 00          |
| Unionville, St. Michael's    | 2 00             | 1 00          |
| Urbana, Epiphany             | 10 00            | 2 00          |
| Wakeman, St. John's          | 3 00             | 1 00          |
| Warren, Christ               | 16 00            | 4 00          |
| Windsor, Christ              | 3 00             | 1 00          |
| Wooster, St. James'          | 5 00             | 3 00          |
| Worthington, St. John's      | 20 00            | 4 00          |
| Zanesville, St. James'       | 120 00           | 13 00         |

After which the first and second resolutions of the committee on the Immediate Endowment of the Episcopate were adopted, and the report was adopted as a whole.

The Rev. Mr. Reynolds, Secretary of the Missionary committee, presented the following report, which was received and referred to the committee on Missions and Education.

The Missionary Committee of the Diocese respectfully present this their first Annual Report :

By the blessing of God, to whom we would render our unfeigned acknowledgments, we are able to congratulate the Diocese upon the success which has attended the labors of both missionaries and committee, and to indulge in hopeful anticipations for the future.

PROCEEDINGS.—The first meeting of the committee was held in Columbus, July 3d and 4th, at which time I. N. Whiting, Esq., was elected Treasurer, and the Rev. Charles Reynolds, Secretary. At this meeting much important business was commenced, and fourteen missionaries, having charge of twenty-eight parishes and stations, were appointed. At a subsequent meeting, held in Gambier, the organization of the new committee, and their plans for aggressive action, were completed.

The committee took the liberty of estimating how much the great Diocese of Ohio ought to contribute for the spread of the Gospel within

its own borders ; and also of suggesting to each individual parish the amount which we humbly thought should be the *minimum* raised for this object. To some this may have appeared an unauthorized presumption. From most of our brethren, however, it met with a hearty response, which liberality has enabled us to pay promptly every stipend as it became due.

LAST YEAR'S BALANCE.—As the old committee (the Missionary and Education Committee) reported a balance of over \$1500, we appointed a sub-committee to confer with the new Education Committee, and to make an amicable division of said balance. You will learn from the Treasurer's report that we received \$500 of the amount on hand, and have collected within the Diocese, during the past year, \$2817 42, being nearly \$900 more than was ever expended by the Diocese for this object before.

ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS.—We have appointed, in all, nineteen missionaries, who labor in thirty-four parishes and stations, being eight missionaries more than were employed the year previous. The parishes and stations sustained number eighteen more than at any former period.

In compliance with your expressed will (*vide* Journal for 1856, p. 52), the committee inquired into the expediency of employing itinerant missionaries ; and early in the year made an appropriation for one in the vicinity of Zanesville. After much consultation and inquiry, no suitable person was found, and we regret to say that this part of our cherished plan for diffusing the Gospel through the State has not been tried. We trust that the committee which you may appoint for the coming year will still strive to engraft this feature upon the present system.

LABORS OF THE MISSIONARIES BLESSED OF GOD.—It will delight the hearts of the Convention to know that the labors of our self-denying and earnest-minded missionaries have, during the year, been blessed of God.

The missionary at *Mansfield* writes : "I have much to be thankful for. We are blessed with prosperity in some degree. The congregation is increasing, and a good feeling is abroad. My people add to my salary \$100 the coming year, therefore the committee will have that much less to pay. We hope soon to be able to release the committee altogether."

The missionary at *Urbana* writes : "The parish, it is believed, now occupies a much more prominent position in public estimation than at any former period of its history. The congregations are far better than they have ever been, and ultimate success is looked for with hope."

The missionary at *Worthington*, who labors abundantly and very successfully in a district of several miles around the parent church, thus writes : "I have officiated regularly at all my appointments, sometimes finding it difficult to travel through the bad roads, with the cold and stormy winds, with rain and snow beating in my face ; but nothing has prevented me from meeting every appointment. At Worth-

ington, things appear to be moving harmoniously and prosperously, and our Sunday School has been, of late, greatly revived. At Christ Church, *Clinton*, there has been considerable interest felt in the services of the Church; and although there are but ten members connected with it—four of the number were confirmed on the Bishop's last visit—yet the congregation is quite large for a rural district, the church being situated half a mile from any other house. At *Blendon*, we have services once in a month, at a school-house that is well situated in the centre of the district, and the people come together from a distance of two or three miles to attend our services. There appears to be considerable interest in the congregation, so far as their attendance indicates their feelings. At *Westerville*, we have occasional services in the chapel of the "United Brethren," at which the students of the College attend. They appear to be interested in our manner of conducting service, although, through the want of books, and of persons acquainted with our Liturgy, we are under the necessity of omitting the responsive parts. At *Dublin*, there appears to be a very good state of feeling, and four out of the five persons from that place who were confirmed on the Bishop's last visitation, were heads of families. Four of the physicians of the place are regular attendants, two of them being members. There are now seven families connected with the Church, living within a short distance of the town, and in the town, upon whom we think we can depend; besides a number of others who are more or less interested in our work, so that we feel as if the time would not be very remote when we shall find it expedient to organize a church."

The missionary at *Ironton*, who, at the request of the committee, recently visited Gallipolis, thus writes: "A loud call comes to the committee from Gallipolis. After a suspension of services for many years, the remnant of the parish have resolved to arise and build, we trust, both the material and the spiritual edifice. \$250 are pledged to the support of a missionary—nearly an equal sum can be obtained on the Virginia side of the river for occasional services there; and now they ask for missionary aid and a missionary. Never has there been so favorable a moment for establishing our Church there as the present, and shall it be lost?"

The missionary at *Huron* writes: "I am very busy in preaching the Gospel, and fulfilling my ministry in all the regions around this parish. I may not be here to reap what is being sowed, but I think that great good is being done for the future prosperity of the Church. This, unquestionably, is owing to the aid of the Missionary Society, for, did they not help the minister of this parish, his want of support would oblige him to close his work. My congregations are good, and I trust that the day is nigh when the Spirit will be poured out from on high. May the Lord bless his work in my hands; without his smiles all efforts are vain."

The missionary at *Warren* writes: "I have joyful news to relate concerning my little parish. The church has of late been blessed with

the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, resulting in the hopeful conversion of *twelve* precious souls. The little vine, which had been so long neglected, and which had almost withered away, has, by careful cultivation and the blessing of God, been resuscitated, and has borne rich clusters of ripe grapes to the honor and glory of God. There is truly a *revival* of religion going on in the parish. The hearts of my people have been warmed with the love of God. New life seems to pervade every member, and prayer and praise hang on every lip. The visit of our Bishop was very opportune, and was an event which will long be remembered with lively emotion by every member of this parish."

We have not time for further extracts, but would assure the Convention that, from nearly every parish and station, the intelligence which we have of late received has been encouraging.

**RESULTS.**—During the year, eighteen clergymen have been appointed missionaries. Five others, and one lay reader, have occasionally performed missionary labor. Forty-three parishes and stations have been visited and served, several of them weekly, six of which are new stations, and more than one, we trust, are hopeful points for the establishment of parishes.

The Rector of Harcourt parish, at the request of the committee, by whom a portion of the travelling expenses have been defrayed, has not only himself performed much missionary labor, but has taken the pastoral oversight of that done by other brethren, both clerical and lay, in all the region round about Gambier; so that Sunday Schools have been maintained, and the Gospel has been preached, amongst nearly all the people living within nine or ten miles of that place.

**CONCLUSION.**—In conclusion, your Committee would express the belief that there are several points in the State, other than those referred to in this report, where much good might be done to the souls of men, were it in our power to send thither the living messenger. And we believe that, in due time, men of prayer and zeal, sufficient for these openings, will be found, if the Church proves faithful to her trust, and contributes for this object an adequate amount of means. But if she fails to make prompt and adequate provision for her hard-working missionaries, and pays the pittance which she promises, in dribs and drabs, and irregularly, we have little hope that earnest, active, and acceptable men can be found.

As a Diocese, may we awake to the responsibilities of our position, and bestir ourselves to meet the pressing demands made upon us in this our day and generation. "Then shall the barren lands rejoice; the earth shall bring forth her increase unto eternal glory, and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing."

CHARLES REYNOLDS, *Secretary.*

The Rev. Mr. Badger, Secretary of the Education committee, read the following report, which was received and referred to the committee on Missions and Education:

The Education committee of the Diocese would report—

That when they became organized, last June, in accordance with Canon XIVth, as amended by the Convention, they found in the hands of their Treasurer \$1547.14. This sum had been contributed to the former Missionary and Education committee. But a knowledge of the sources from which it came, and of the specific purpose for which the most of it had been given, induced the belief that by an equitable division not more than \$500 would belong to the present Missionary committee. The Treasurer of the Education committee was therefore instructed to pay over to the Treasurer of that committee the above named sum, whenever it should be called for.

Thus a little over \$1,000 was left for the purposes of education.

The committee resolved to go on with the plan of operations which had already been so successfully entered upon in the Diocese.

The plan has been, boldly to place the acquisition of a thorough education for the ministry within the reach of every young man in our communion who desires it, and possesses the requisite disposition and qualifications, and then to rely confidently on the Church in Ohio and elsewhere to supply the necessary funds.

The committee engaged the Rev. E. A. Strong, with the intention of having him visit parishes and individuals, especially in this Diocese, to promote its objects. But circumstances connected with the Diocesan Institutions at Gambier made it necessary that he should visit our friends at the East. And there he labored for some months, partly for Kenyon College, and partly for the committee. Your committee was the more readily induced to acquiesce in the arrangement, that the Missionary committee of the Diocese might be able, this year, to carry out with less difficulty its liberal intentions in regard to the support of our missionaries. And thus, from the arrangement alluded to, it has happened that a large portion of the funds with which our beneficiaries have, this year, been supported, has come from without the Diocese. But while our Eastern friends have come nobly to our help in our great work, which is, indeed, in a measure a work for the whole Church, your committee cannot but believe their great dependence must, hereafter, be on our own people. We must, with a will, put our own shoulders to the wheel. All must be made to realize that the cause of education for the ministry, and the cause of missions, are essentially one. Whoever will look at the history of this Diocese for several years past, will find that the latter cause languished here till special efforts were made in behalf of the former.

Your committee has expended, as its treasurer's report will show, nearly \$4,000, in the support of thirty-four beneficiaries, during the year. Besides, there has been received and distributed a number of boxes of clothes, which have been of great service. The committee has expended much more money than it has received. And although there is only an apparent and not an actual deficit in the Treasury, still the condition of the funds is such, that the immediate and utmost exertions of the friends of the cause will be required to prevent a

retrograde movement in the work, arising from the disappointed expectations, and consequent anxieties, of those now engaged in their studies.

Your committee are, by experience, only the more convinced that the magnitude and importance of the work committed to their care cannot be easily over-estimated, while the difficulties attending it are such as to call for the serious thought and charitable judgment of the Church.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. BADGER, *Secretary.*

Also, on behalf of the Rev. Mr. Blake, Treasurer of the Education committee, the same gentleman read the following report, which was received and referred to the committee on Missions and Education:

*A. BLAKE, Treasurer, in account with the EDUCATION FUNDS of the Diocese of Ohio.*

|                                                             | DR.       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Balance, June, 1856 .....                                   | \$1547 14 |
| Akron, St. Paul's .....                                     | 6 00      |
| Boardman, St. James' .....                                  | 5 00      |
| Canfield, St. Stephen's.....                                | 1 00      |
| Centerville, St. David's.....                               | 2 00      |
| Columbia, L. and W. Warren .....                            | 5 00      |
| Columbus, P. B. Doddridge, \$5; H. T. Fay, \$5.....         | 10 00     |
| Cincinnati, Christ, Dr. Butler, \$10; Wm. Procter, \$200;   |           |
| Mrs. R. B. Bowles, \$125 .....                              | 335 00    |
| Chillicothe, St. Paul's .....                               | 60 00     |
| Dayton, Christ.....                                         | 39 00     |
| Madison, Mr. Armstrong .....                                | 5 00      |
| Massillon, St. Timothy's.....                               | 5 00      |
| Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's.....                                 | 16 00     |
| Marietta, a female member of St. Luke's.....                | 5 00      |
| Piqua, St. James' .....                                     | 27 47     |
| Portsmouth, All Saints' .....                               | 104 95    |
| Sandusky, Grace .....                                       | 17 50     |
| Steubenville, St. Paul's.....                               | 103 50    |
| Toledo, Trinity.....                                        | 44 00     |
| Wadsworth, C. R. Sprague.....                               | 2 00      |
| Zanesville, St. James' .....                                | 41 70     |
| Sale of Socks and Gloves.....                               | 2 00      |
|                                                             | <hr/>     |
|                                                             | \$2384 26 |
| Collected by Agent, Rev. E. A. Strong, out of the Diocese.. | 2945 50   |
|                                                             | <hr/>     |
|                                                             | \$5329 76 |

**A. BLAKE, Treasurer, in account with the EDUCATION FUNDS of the Diocese of Ohio.**

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| 1856-7.                                                                    | CR.       |
| Paid to 34 Beneficiaries in Seminary, College and Grammar School . . . . . | \$3910 48 |
| Paid to the Missionary committee of the Diocese of Ohio . . . . .          | 500 00    |
| Agent's salary . . . . .                                                   | 750 00    |
| " traveling expenses . . . . .                                             | 183 21    |
| " postage, printing, etc. . . . .                                          | 29 97     |
| Charges on boxes, clothing, broken banks, etc. . . . .                     | 18 43     |
|                                                                            | <hr/>     |
|                                                                            | \$5892 04 |
| Balance due Treasurer . . . . .                                            | 62 28     |
|                                                                            | <hr/>     |
|                                                                            | \$5829 76 |

**PERMANENT FUND.**

|                                                                  |           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Stock in Portsmouth Gas Company . . . . .                        | \$1000 00 |
| Bequest of the late Elijah Boardman, of Boardman, Ohio . . . . . | 500 00    |
|                                                                  | <hr/>     |
|                                                                  | \$1500 00 |

[The income from the above Fund to be appropriated by the Education committee, for the education of candidates for the ministry in the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio.]

The following sums, received during Convention, will be acknowledged in next year's report:

|                                                              |         |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| From Rev. W. F. Lloyd, for Calvary Church, Clifton . . . . . | \$21 82 |
| " E. W. Palmer, for Grace Church, Cleveland . . . . .        | 9 00    |
| " Rev. Dr. Canfield, New York . . . . .                      | 150 00  |

Mr. Isaac N. Whiting, Treasurer of the Missionary committee of the Diocese, presented the following report, which was received and referred to the committee on Missions and Education:

**ISAAC N. WHITING, Treasurer, in account with the MISSIONARY COMMITTEE of the Diocese of Ohio.**

|                                                           |          |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| 1856-7.                                                   | DR.      |
| To cash from Education Committee of the Diocese . . . . . | \$500 00 |
| Akron, St. Paul's Church . . . . .                        | 4 00     |
| Berkshire, Grace, Mr. Prince and family . . . . .         | 3 00     |
| Boardman, St. James' . . . . .                            | 7 60     |
| Canfield, St. Stephen's . . . . .                         | 7 40     |
| Cincinnati, Christ . . . . .                              | 808 63   |
| Cincinnati, St. John's—Sunday School . . . . .            | 500 00   |

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| Circleville, St. Philip's.....                                                                                                             | 5 00   |
| Cleveland, St. John's.....                                                                                                                 | 60 00  |
| Cleveland, St. Paul's.....                                                                                                                 | 113 50 |
| Cleveland, Trinity.....                                                                                                                    | 81 32  |
| Clifton, Calvary .....                                                                                                                     | 73 00  |
| Clinton, Christ.....                                                                                                                       | 5 00   |
| Columbia, St. Luke's .....                                                                                                                 | 6 95   |
| Columbus, St. Paul's, Mrs. Selina Andrews .....                                                                                            | 1 00   |
| Columbus, Trinity, \$50 20 ; Sunday School, \$50.....                                                                                      | 100 20 |
| Cross Creek, St. James' .....                                                                                                              | 10 96  |
| Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's .....                                                                                                           | 50 00  |
| Dayton, Christ .....                                                                                                                       | 20 00  |
| Delaware, St. Peter's.....                                                                                                                 | 25 00  |
| Dresden, Zion, \$33 ; Mrs. Stilwell, \$2.....                                                                                              | 35 00  |
| East Liverpool, St. Stephen's, \$2 25 ; Mrs. Wm. Warren,<br>\$5 ; Misses Hughes, \$3 ; Mrs. Mary Warner, \$5.....                          | 15 25  |
| East Plymouth, St. Matthew's.....                                                                                                          | 5 00   |
| Franklin, Christ.....                                                                                                                      | 5 00   |
| Fremont, St. Paul's .....                                                                                                                  | 5 00   |
| Gambier, Harcourt.....                                                                                                                     | 51 00  |
| Granville, St. Luke's, "S. N. S." \$5 ; Mrs. M. L. H. S., \$5..                                                                            | 10 00  |
| Hillsboro', St. Mary's.....                                                                                                                | 10 05  |
| Hudson, Christ.....                                                                                                                        | 11 75  |
| Ironton, Christ, communion offerings, \$20 ; Mrs. C. L.<br>Culver, and Miss Sarah Wilkins, Catlettsburg, Ky.,<br>(each \$2 50)—\$5 00..... | 25 00  |
| Kingston, St. James', Mrs. H. Maxwell, \$3 ; Mrs. E.<br>Benton, \$1.....                                                                   | 4 00   |
| Lancaster, St. John's.....                                                                                                                 | 20 00  |
| Madison, St. Matthew's, \$11 ; Thos. Armstrong, \$5 ; Rob't<br>Armstrong, \$4.....                                                         | 20 00  |
| Mansfield, Grace.....                                                                                                                      | 11 00  |
| Marietta, St. Luke's.....                                                                                                                  | 18 00  |
| Marion, St. Paul's.....                                                                                                                    | 10 00  |
| Massillon, St. Timothy's, \$20 ; Female Miss. Society, \$30 ..                                                                             | 50 00  |
| Medina, St. Paul's .....                                                                                                                   | 17 35  |
| Milan, St. Luke's.....                                                                                                                     | 15 00  |
| Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's.....                                                                                                                | 21 00  |
| Newark, Trinity.....                                                                                                                       | 55 00  |
| Newton Falls, St. Mark's.....                                                                                                              | 3 50   |
| Norwalk, St. Paul's.....                                                                                                                   | 42 00  |
| Painesville, St. James'.....                                                                                                               | 14 00  |
| Peninsula, Bethel.....                                                                                                                     | 3 00   |
| Piqua, St. James'.....                                                                                                                     | 40 00  |
| Portsmouth, All Saints'.....                                                                                                               | 105 00 |
| Sandusky, Grace.....                                                                                                                       | 50 00  |
| Springfield, Christ,.....                                                                                                                  | 30 00  |
| St. Clairsville, St. Thomas', Miss Maria Carter.....                                                                                       | 10 00  |

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|------------------------------------------------------------|-----|------------------|
| Steubenville, St. Paul's .....                             | 86  | 47               |
| Strongsville, St. Philip's.....                            | 3   | 05               |
| Tiffin, Trinity, Sunday School.....                        | 5   | 25               |
| Troy, Trinity.....                                         | 6   | 12               |
| Wadsworth, Mrs. H. A. Mills, \$3 ; C. R. Sprague, \$3..... | 6   | 00               |
| Warren, Christ, Sunday School .....                        | 14  | 32               |
| Wooster, St. James', and Ashland, by Rev. R. K. Nash.....  | 10  | 00               |
| Worthington, St. John's .....                              | 20  | 00               |
| Xenia, Christ, by Rev. Peter Neff, Jr., .....              | 5   | 17               |
| Yellow Springs, Christ, Ladies of.....                     | 6   | 83               |
| Zanesville, St. James', \$44 30 ; Sunday School, \$59 05 ; |     |                  |
| " L.," \$5.....                                            | 108 | 35               |
| Rev. H. Payne, Mt. Vernon.....                             | 1   | 00               |
|                                                            |     | <u>\$3817 02</u> |

## C.R.

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|------------------|
| By payment of Secretary's drafts, for Salaries of<br>Missionaries, as per vouchers ..... | \$2715 | 97               |
| Drafts to come in .....                                                                  | 127    | 50               |
| \$2843                                                                                   | 47     |                  |
| Paid I. N. Whiting, Treas. for book of drafts, postage, &c.,....                         | 13     | 25               |
| Paid Rev. C. Reynolds, Sec'y, for postage and stationery.....                            | 6      | 30               |
| Paid Ohio State Journal Co., for printing .....                                          | 1      | 50               |
| Paid Rev. N. Badger on Secretary's draft.....                                            | 12     | 00               |
| Balance on hand carried forward.....                                                     | 440    | 50               |
|                                                                                          |        | <u>\$3317 02</u> |

After which the Convention adjourned, to meet at half past eight o'clock on Saturday morning.

## THIRD DAY.

SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH, 8½ O'CLOCK, A. M.

The Convention assembled, the Bishop in the chair, and engaged in devotional exercises.

The Secretary called the rolls, and read the minutes of yesterday's proceedings, which were approved.

The following communication was received, and the invitation therein contained was accepted :

"The members of the Episcopal Convention are respectfully invited by the superintendent and teachers to visit the Piqua Union Schools.

"Piqua, June 5th, 1857."

The Rev. Mr. Burton offered the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted :

1. *Resolved*, That the members of this Convention hereby express their high sense of satisfaction with the place selected by the last Convention for their present session ; thus affording them an opportunity of becoming better acquainted with their brethren and fellow citizens in the western portion of the State and Diocese ; and the members of the Convention, in taking their leave of Piqua, tender their cordial thanks to the citizens for the generous hospitality extended to them during their brief sojourn among them.

2. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention are due and are hereby tendered to the officers of the C. O.; N. M. & S.; D. & M.; C. H. & D.; C. P. & I., and the Steub. & Ind. Rail Roads, for the courtesy and liberality evinced in giving its members, clerical and lay, free passage on their return to their homes.

3. *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Convention is hereby requested to furnish a copy of the above resolutions for insertion in the several papers of this city.

4. *Resolved*, That the eminently peaceful, harmonious and fraternal spirit, which has characterized the deliberations and proceedings of the present session of our Convention, furnished to us, as a body, and to the friends generally of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, a fit occasion for rendering devout thanks to Almighty God, who alone can so order "the unruly wills and affections of sinful men," as to make them to be of "one mind in an house."

The Rev. Mr. McElroy, Chairman of the Finance committee, presented the following resolutions, the consideration of which was postponed till next Convention :

The Finance committee have had under consideration the resolution requesting their opinion as to the expediency of so increasing the assessment of the parishes in the diocese for the contingent fund, as to enable the Treasurer to defray the actual traveling expenses, to and from the Annual Convention of the Diocese, of all parochial clergymen,

whose parishes have paid according to canon their respective assessments; and unanimously recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the Finance committee be instructed to increase the assessment of the contingent fund, in an equal proportion, on each parish, to enable the Treasurer of the Diocese to pay the mileage, at half fare tickets, to and from the Annual Convention of the Diocese, of the parochial clergy.

*Resolved*, That those parochial clergy only, who remain to the close of the Convention, and whose parishes have paid their respective assessments according to canon, shall be entitled to the mileage to and from the Annual Convention of the Diocese.

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES McELROY,  
THOMAS SPARROW, }  
S. R. ROSS, Committee.

Mr. T. G. Odiorne, Treasurer of the Diocese, presented his first Annual Report, as follows, which was received and referred to the committee on Finance:

**TREASURER'S ACCOUNT WITH THE PARISHES.**

| NAME OF PARISH.                    | EPISCOPATE FUND. |          | CONTINGENT FUND. |          |
|------------------------------------|------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
|                                    | Am't paid.       | Arrears. | Am't paid.       | Arrears. |
| Akron, St. Paul's.....             | \$15 00          |          | \$9 00           |          |
| Ashtabula, St. Peter's.....        | 25 00            |          | 9 00             |          |
| Bellevue, St. Paul's.....          | 10 00            |          | 3 00             |          |
| Berkshire, Grace.....              | 10 00            |          | 3 00             |          |
| Boardman, St. James'.....          | 10 00            |          | 3 00             |          |
| Canfield, St. Stephen's.....       | 8 00             |          | 3 00             |          |
| Chillicothe, St. Paul's.....       |                  | \$65 00  |                  |          |
| Cincinnati, Christ.....            | 260 00           |          |                  | \$15 00  |
| Cincinnati, St. John's.....        | 190 00           |          |                  | 77 50    |
| Cincinnati, St. Paul's.....        | 190 00           |          |                  | 45 00    |
| Circleville, St. Philip's.....     | 25 00            |          |                  | 45 00    |
| Cleveland, Grace.....              | 58 14            |          |                  | 10 00    |
| Cleveland, St. John's.....         | 40 00            |          |                  | 30 00    |
| Cleveland, St. Paul's.....         | 100 00           |          |                  | 15 00    |
| Cleveland, Trinity.....            | 110 00           |          |                  | 27 50    |
| Clifton, Calvary.....              | 10 00            |          |                  | 22 50    |
| Clinton, Christ.....               | 2 00             |          |                  | 7 50     |
| Columbia, St. Luke's.....          | 2 00             | 4 00     |                  | 1 50     |
| Columbus, St. Paul's.....          | 12 00            |          |                  | 1 50     |
| Columbus, Trinity.....             | 110 00           |          |                  | 9 00     |
| Cross Creek, St. James'.....       | 8 00             |          |                  | 37 50    |
| Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's.....    | 25 00            |          |                  | 4 00     |
| Dayton, Christ.....                | 70 00            |          |                  | 7 50     |
| Defiance, Grace.....               | 2 00             |          |                  | 15 00    |
| Delaware, St. Peter's.....         | 55 00            |          |                  | 1 50     |
| Dresden, Zion.....                 | 15 00            |          |                  | 16 50    |
| East Liverpool, St. Stephen's..... | 1 00             | 2 00     |                  | 7 50     |
| E. Plymouth, St. Matthew's.....    | 3 00             |          |                  | 1 50     |
|                                    |                  |          |                  | 2 00     |

## TREASURER'S ACCOUNT WITH THE PARISHES—CONTINUED.

| NAME OF PARISH.                 | EPISCOPATE FUND. |          | CONTINGENT FUND. |          |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
|                                 | Am't paid.       | Arrears. | Am't paid.       | Arrears. |
| E. Springfield, St. John's...   | 18 00            |          | 3 00             |          |
| Elyria, St. Andrew's.....       | 5 00             |          | 3 00             |          |
| Euclid, St. Paul's.....         | 6 00             |          | 1 50             |          |
| Franklin, Christ.....           | 5 00             | 3 00     | 1 50             | 2 00     |
| Fremont, St. Paul's.....        | 8 00             |          | 3 00             |          |
| Gambier, Harcourt.....          | 100 00           |          | 24 00            |          |
| Grafton, St. Stephen's.....     |                  | 3 00     |                  | 3 00     |
| Granville, St. Luke's.....      | 15 00            |          | 7 50             |          |
| Greenville, St. Paul's.....     | 2 00             |          | 3 00             |          |
| Hartsgrave, St. Paul's.....     | 3 00             |          |                  | 3 50     |
| Hillsboro', St. Mary's.....     | 12 00            |          | 4 50             |          |
| Hudson, Christ.....             | 20 00            |          | 9 00             |          |
| Huron, Christ.....              | 4 00             |          | 3 00             |          |
| Ironton, Christ.....            | 3 00             |          | 3 00             |          |
| Jefferson, Trinity.....         | 5 00             | 5 00     | 1 50             | 2 00     |
| Kingston, St. James'.....       | 4 00             |          | 1 50             |          |
| Lancaster, St. John's.....      | 15 00            |          | 7 50             |          |
| Lyme, Trinity.....              | 8 00             |          | 3 00             |          |
| Madison, St. Matthew's.....     | 8 00             |          | 3 00             |          |
| Mansfield, Grace.....           | 15 00            |          | 7 50             |          |
| Marietta, St. Luke's.....       | 15 00            |          | 9 00             |          |
| Marion, St. Paul's.....         | 8 00             |          | 3 00             |          |
| Massillon, St. Timothy's ..     | 50 00            |          |                  | 18 00    |
| Maumee City, St. Paul's.....    | 5 00             |          | 3 00             |          |
| Medina, St. Paul's.....         | 30 00            |          | 7 50             |          |
| Milan, St. Luke's.....          | 12 00            |          | 5 00             |          |
| Mill Creek, St. Mark's.....     |                  | 15 00    |                  | 7 00     |
| Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's.....     | 60 00            | 20 00    | 3 00             | 15 00    |
| Newton Falls, St. Mark's.....   | 5 00             | 5 00     |                  | 6 00     |
| Napoleon, St. John's.....       | 2 00             |          | 1 00             |          |
| Newark, Trinity.....            | 24 00            | 27 00    | 7 00             | 10 00    |
| Norwalk, St. Paul's.....        | 32 00            |          | 12 00            |          |
| Oberlin, Christ.....            |                  | 5 00     |                  | 3 00     |
| Painesville, St. James'.....    | 15 00            |          | 9 00             |          |
| Penfield, Christ.....           | 2 00             |          | 1 50             |          |
| Peninsula, Bethel.....          | 6 00             |          | 2 00             | 50       |
| Perry, St. Matthew's.....       | 4 00             |          | 2 00             | 1 00     |
| Piqua, St. James'.....          | 60 00            |          | 18 00            |          |
| Portsmouth, All Saints'..       | 80 00            |          | 18 00            |          |
| Rome, St. Peter's.....          | 2 00             |          | 2 50             |          |
| Sandusky, Grace.....            | 75 00            | 5 00     | 16 50            |          |
| Springfield, Christ.....        | 20 00            |          | 7 50             |          |
| Steubenville, St. Paul's.....   | 50 00            | 15 00    | 18 00            |          |
| Strongsville, St. Philip's..... | 2 00             |          | 1 50             |          |
| Tiffin City, Trinity.....       | 3 00             |          | 3 00             |          |
| Toledo, Trinity.....            | 55 00            |          | 15 00            |          |
| Troy, Trinity.....              | 10 00            |          | 3 00             |          |
| Unionville, St. Michael's.....  | 2 00             |          | 2 50             |          |
| Urbana, Epiphany.....           | 8 00             |          | 3 00             |          |
| Warren, Christ.....             | 12 00            | 38 00    | 4 50             | 8 00     |
| Wooster, St. James'.....        |                  | 8 00     |                  | 3 00     |
| Walnut Hills, Advent.....       |                  | 8 00     |                  | 3 00     |
| Worthington, St. John's.....    | 10 00            |          | 4 50             |          |
| Zanesville, St. James'.....     | 100 00           |          | 21 00            |          |
|                                 | \$2381 14        | \$288 00 | \$632 00         | \$184 00 |

THE CONVENTION of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese  
of Ohio, in account with THOMAS G. ODIORNE, Treasurer.

## EPISCOPATE FUND.

|                                                            |                  |     |
|------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-----|
| 1856-7.                                                    |                  | DR. |
| To cash paid Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, (salary), \$2000 00 |                  |     |
| To cash paid same as per resolution of Convention, 381 14  | <u>\$2381 14</u> |     |

## CONTRA.

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|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|-----|
| By amount received from sundry parishes since<br>June, 1856..... |                  | CR. |
|                                                                  | <u>\$2381 14</u> |     |

## CONTINGENT FUND.

|                                                             |                 |     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----|
|                                                             |                 | DR. |
| To paid Rev. W. C. French, Secretary, as per bill of expen- |                 |     |
| ses in publishing, mailing, etc., Journal of 1856,          | \$22 63         |     |
| " Do. other postages and sundries.....                      | 4 09            |     |
| " Do. salary for current year.....                          | 50 00           |     |
| " Ohio State Journal Co. for printing Journal of '56,       | 251 47          |     |
| " Treas. Gen. Conv. in part of assessment this diocese      | 129 00          |     |
| " Rev. A. Blake, bal. exp. attending trial at Pomeroy       | 15 00           |     |
| " for account books and printing circulars for Treas'r      | 5 25            |     |
| " freight on Journals of Gen. Conv. from Philadelphia       | 7 10            |     |
| " interest on money borrowed for printing Journal and       |                 |     |
| assessment of General Convention .....                      | 22 90           |     |
| " interest on \$500, borrowed for Episcopate fund, . . .    | 16 10           |     |
| " Rev. Dr. Smith, freight bill, . . . . .                   | 90              |     |
| " Rev. Dr. Claxton, expenses attending Gen. Conven.         | 40 00           |     |
| " Rev. Dr. Burr, do do do                                   | 40 00           |     |
| " Rev. W. R. Nicholson, do do                               | 40 00           |     |
| " traveling expenses, postage, etc., of Bishop past year    | 71 20           |     |
|                                                             |                 |     |
|                                                             | <u>\$715 64</u> |     |

## CONTRA.

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|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----|
| By discount on bill for printing Journal, for cash payment.. | \$29 81         | CR. |
| By amount received from Parishes for the current year, . .   | 632 00          |     |
| By amount received from the former Treasurer, .....          | 14 73           |     |
| Balance, .....                                               | 39 10           |     |
|                                                              |                 |     |
|                                                              | <u>\$715 64</u> |     |

Mr. J. W. Andrews presented the following report, which was accepted, and the resolution therein contained adopted :

J. W. Andrews, on behalf of the committee heretofore appointed to devise a plan by which the Convention may receive and hold charit-

able funds, beg leave to report that no formal meeting of said committee has been held; but informally the subject has been considered by a portion of said committee, and it was by them deemed advisable not to take any action in the matter referred to during the last year. It is, moreover, probable, that at a proper time it may be well to ask for some additional legislation, and with this view it is recommended that the subject matter of said reference be again referred to a committee of two persons, with power to ask for further legislation, if they shall deem it necessary. They recommend, therefore, the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That a committee of two be appointed to devise a plan by which the Convention may receive and hold charitable funds, and for the protection of Church property, with power to ask for legislation in reference thereto, if they shall deem it necessary.

The Chair appointed as said committee Messrs. J. W. Andrews and Thomas Sparrow.

Rev. Dr. Burr, Chairman of the committee on Canons, made the following report, which was accepted, and the amendment therein proposed so far approved as to lie over for the action of next Convention:

The committee on Canons report in favor of an amendment to Art. II of the Constitution, to strike out all after the word "quorum," in the third line from the last, and the insertion of the word "shall" before the word "constitute;" and accordingly recommend that said proposition lie over to the next Annual Convention, as required by the last Article of the Constitution.

Rev. Dr. Burr, Chairman of the committee on Canons, offered the following report:

The committee on Canons, having been instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending Canon II, as to include all the male communicants of a Parish among the qualified voters thereof, and also to provide that none but communicants shall be eligible to the office of Warden, report:

1st. In relation to the former question, that they deem the present provision of the Canon such that all communicants of the Church may, if they chose, exercise all the rights and privileges of voters. If the question has reference to those whose pecuniary circumstances do not enable them to rent a pew, the committee believe that no Parish could

be found, where in such a case a pew is not assigned by the vestry without charge, and so the individual becomes a pew-holder, according to the provisions of the Canon. In Parishes where seats are not rented, vestries have already a right to fix the amount to be contributed in order to qualification for voting.

2d. In regard to the second question, the committee, while they are not aware of any inconveniences arising from the present provisions, see no objections to an alteration by which none but communicants shall be eligible to the office of Warden, except in very new Parishes, where there may exist the possible contingency of there being no male communicants. The committee accordingly recommend the adoption of the following amendment in section first of Canon II, viz: after the word "vestrymen," in the fourth line, insert the words: "being communicants of the Church."

Rev. Dr. Claxton offered the following as a substitute for said report, which was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the report just read be recommitted to the committee on Canons, with instructions to report an amendment to Canon II, providing that every male communicant of the Parish, who shall have been such for six months preceding the election, shall be entitled to vote.

Rev. Dr. Burr, Chairman of the committee on Canons, made the following report, which was adopted:

The committee on Canons to whom was referred a resolution asking what provision should be made to enable a parish to fill vacancies that may occur in the vestry of a church in the intervals of the annual elections, beg leave to report, that after due consideration they see no sufficient reason for any change in the present provisions. The first section of Canon II, provides for the election of a sufficient number to allow of the loss by death, or resignation, or removal of several, without reducing the number below a legal quorum, and the committee are of opinion that there is no method so simple and yet so effective and free from possible difficulties as the one now in force.

Rev. Dr. Burr, Chairman of the committee on Canons, offered the following report:

The committee on Canons to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address, which relates to Canon I, entitled: "*Of the trial of Clergymen not being Bishops*," beg leave to report, that they deem the subject of too much importance to be acted on at the present time;

any modification of the Canon demanding great care and deliberation ; and therefore they would recommend that a committee consisting of three clergymen and two laymen be appointed by this Convention to take the subject in charge and report at the next Convention.

Rev. Dr. Brooke offered the following resolutions as an amendment, which were referred to the committee contemplated in the last previous report, and the Chair appointed, as said committee, Rev. Dr. Brooke, Rev. Dr. Burr, Rev. Mr. Nicholson, J. W. Andrews, Esq., and Judge Joseph R. Swan :

*Resolved*, That the report of the committee on Canons be re-committed, with instructions so to modify Canon I, as to make it as much as possible like the Canon of the late General Convention for the trial of a Bishop ; especially in regard to that feature of the Canon of the General Convention, which allows the accused to have his triers chosen by lot.

*Resolved further*, That said committee be instructed so to modify said Canon I, as to compel triers appointed by lot to serve, unless excused for sufficient cause by the Bishop ; also to compel any person who is appointed Church Advocate to serve, unless excused in like manner ; and likewise to compel clergymen or communicants, who are summoned as witnesses, to testify—the former on pain of trial and suspension from the ministry, and the latter under penalty of suspension from the communion.

Rev. Dr. Burr, Chairman of the committee on Canons, offered the following report, which was adopted :

The committee on Canons to whom was referred Canon XV, with instructions, beg leave to present for adoption the following amendments, to wit :

In section 1st strike out the word "March" in the first line and insert "September."

In section 2nd, strike out the work "September," and insert "April."

In section 3rd, strike out the word "two," in the second line and insert, in lieu thereof, the word "three."

The Rev. Dr. Claxton presented the following report of the Trustees of Kenyon College and the Theological Seminary, which was adopted :

*To the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio—*

The Trustees of the Theological Seminary have the pleasure of presenting their annual statement as to the condition of the Institutions at Gambier.

The Catalogue of the Theological Seminary, of the College, and of the Grammar School, herewith submitted, will show the state of facts as respects the names and numbers of Professors and of Students in all the departments. It will be seen that there are now belonging to the Institution, in the Theological Seminary, 12; in the College, 92; in the Grammar School, 73; total, 177.

The reports of the Treasurer and Agent, and of the Professors in the Theological Seminary, exhibit facts concerning the Institution, such as must be gratifying to the members of the Convention.

The Treasurer's report, made at the close of the fiscal year, (August 1st,) 1856, showed the expenditures of the year to have been \$11,043.69. The income from the Permanent Fund and other productive property, valued in all at \$90,502.79, was \$5,427.44; from tuition fees, etc., \$2,847.31. Total, \$8,274.75. To meet this deficit, (except what had been laid out in permanent improvements,) pledges and donations were made at the last Convention.

From the statement of the Treasurer for the present year we extract what follows, a part of the amounts being necessarily estimated, as but ten months of the year have yet elapsed:

## EXPENDITURES.

|                                  |           |                    |
|----------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Salaries,                        | - - - - - | \$11,225 64        |
| Current expenses, repairs, etc., | - - - - - | 1,556 07           |
|                                  |           | <u>\$12,781 71</u> |

## INCOME.

|                                                |                   |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Interest, including Milnor Professorship Fund, | \$5,145 80        |
| Rents,                                         | 673 04            |
| Tuition fees, room rents, etc.,                | 3,987 24          |
|                                                | <u>\$9,806 08</u> |

|             |                   |
|-------------|-------------------|
| Deficiency, | <u>\$2,975 63</u> |
|-------------|-------------------|

It was to meet this deficit and that of the preceding year that the pledges already mentioned were made in the last Diocesan Convention; and should the appeal made by the committee to the Parishes, through their Wardens, be responded to by an addition of \$1,000, the deficiency for the two years, as estimated by the committees, will be covered.

The Board are still prosecuting, and with some success, the efforts to obtain an endowment for at least two Professorships, and a sufficient amount to enable them to erect immediately one of the buildings indispensably needed for the accommodation of the increasing number of students. So confident are the Board of speedily securing what is

necessary for the latter purpose, and so pressing is the necessity for additional room that excavations have already been commenced for a new building, to be erected in the park, nearly opposite Rosse Chapel; and they hope to lay its corner stone at the ensuing College commencement. With this building, however, they will proceed only so fast as the funds shall be actually provided for the purpose: the foundation walls at once to be laid, and our hope being that the edifice may be covered in before the year shall close.

The receipts of the new Professorships encourage us to anticipate early success in completing the endowment.

The Board conclude by calling attention to the fact that the receipts from tuition and room rent for the year have reached nearly \$4,000, an increase of more than \$1,000 above those of 1856, and of \$2,500 above the receipts of the year 1849.

In behalf and by order of the Board.

R. B. CLAXTON.

Rev. Mr. McElroy from the Finance Committee, offered the following report, which was adopted:

The Finance committee have examined the Treasurer's accounts and vouchers, and have found all correct. They are happy to report that there is a surplus of the Episcopate fund in the treasury of the Diocese, amounting to \$381 14, and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Diocese pay to the Bishop of the Diocese the balance in his hands of the Episcopate fund, and any arrearages on the assessment of the Episcopate fund which may be paid.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES McELROY,  
THOMAS SPARROW, } Committee.  
S. R. ROSS,

On motion by the Treasurer of the Diocese, certain arrearages charged against several feeble parishes were remitted.

Rev. Dr. Claxton, Chairman of the Committee on the State of the Church, presented the following report which was accepted:

The committee on the State of the Church respectfully report—

That, in view of what the Convention have already learned, from the Bishop's address, from the full reports of the Diocesan Missionary Committee, and of the Education Committee, as well as from that of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary, and from all that has been said in the discussions that have taken place, as indicative of the con-

dition of the parishes of Ohio, the committee on the State of the Church feel that there is comparatively little need of their offering an extended statement upon topics thus made familiar. Few hearts amongst us, we trust, have failed to recognize the tokens of God's goodness as still manifested to this favored Diocese. Few—rather, none—we trust, have failed to respond to those sentiments of grateful acknowledgment, called forth by the fact that our beloved Bishop is completing the twenty-fifth year of his Episcopate in Ohio. The action of the Convention, with reference to his increased support, we look upon as a testimony to the sincerity of our expressions of regard; for though that action proceeds from the dictates of *justice* and *right*, as much as from affection, it is pleasant to think that what has been too long delayed, is now, at last, and under such circumstances, to be accomplished.

The parochial reports, on which this committee in so large a measure depends for a supply of the facts on which this view of the Church should be based, have been brought in more generally than usual; yet from a number of the parishes, and amongst these some of the larger and more important, the reports have only just been presented. The committee would call attention to the third section of Canon VII, requiring these reports to be presented "on or before the day of every Annual Convention." So far as we can see, there is evidence of *growth* throughout the Diocese. Notwithstanding the large emigration westward, of which the Bishop's address spoke so forcibly, a large proportion of the parishes, whose reports have been before us, show an increase in the number of communicants. Still fewer parishes, we believe, are vacant than there were last year; and some of these, we have reason to hope, will soon be supplied. The deacons ordained last summer are all employed within our own Diocese; thus adding to the number of the Diocesan clergy five more than those lost to us by removal and by death.

The Convention have, doubtless, shared in the regret of the committee that there have been no new churches consecrated during the past year. The wise regulation by which the Bishop declines consecrating church edifices whilst endangered by the indebtedness of the parish, may appear hard in some cases, but experience has shown it to be salutary. It certainly ought to be felt as a pressing inducement to the members of these parishes to remove this obstacle to the solemn devotion of their places of worship to the Triune God, in whose honor they are raised. The new edifice at Tiffin, we learn, is a model of good taste, and a witness to the zeal and industry of the missionary there. That at Oberlin has been delayed for want of funds—a delay which the committee think ought to have been prevented by liberal contributions from all parts of the Diocese, to the erection of an edifice for our worship at so important a point. At Bellevue, and at Marion, and at Marietta, we are told, the new churches are now ready, or nearly ready, for use.

We need but allude to the important and cheering facts developed by the reports of the Missionary and Education Committee. We think

it evident that the division of labor secured by the action of the Convention last year has worked well. More money has been raised for each of these objects than heretofore, and its application, we think, has been made, at least, as judiciously and effectively as ever. The need of a system of itinerancy is demonstrated by all the reports that come to us from those places where but a little company of Episcopilians is found ; but, so far, the Missionary committee has not been able to obtain the services of men, both willing and qualified to discharge the duties of such a position. No other plan, so far as we can see, will meet the urgent necessities of the case ; and it seems to your committee that it would, indeed, be unkind to those scattered members of our Lord's flock, who are hungering for the ministrations of our Church, to leave them neglected and dispirited, when, by earnest effort, we can minister to them by at least occasional services.

The committee cannot pass unnoticed the prosperity continued, by Divine goodness, to the operations of the Education committee. The large number of young men preparing for the ministry in our institutions at Gambier should be remembered, not only with gratitude to Him who has put it into their hearts to devote themselves to the work, and who has called forth the liberality of the Church for their support, but also should be borne in mind, in frequent and earnest intercession, at the throne of Divine grace. We would here add, that the Bexley Hall Missionary Society is, at once, doing a great work for the people residing near Gambier, and affording invaluable training to the young men, who, under the care of the Rector, are engaged in work which, without trenching upon the ministerial office, prepares them for the duties of the future.

Your committee have not had time to make a detailed examination of the parochial reports, so as to ascertain the amounts contributed in the parishes to the various objects of benevolence. We have noticed some most laudable instances of large liberality on the part of the poorer parishes, as well as of those that are more wealthy. Whilst we cannot do without the large gifts of the latter, we realize more and more the importance of securing from every parish, however feeble, all that can be reasonably asked for the cause of Christ, and for the work entrusted to his Church. It is not only that amounts, small in themselves, by their aggregation become great and intrinsically valuable, but that the habit of benevolence thus cultivated blesses the givers as well as the recipients, and strengthens the faith and piety of the Church, while honoring its great Head.

In behalf of the committee,

R. B. CLAXTON, *Chairman.*

Rev. L. L. Holden, on behalf of the committee on that part of the Bishop's Address relating to Church Music, read the following report, which was accepted, and the accompanying resolution adopted :

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Ad-

dress as relates to Church Music, have had the matter under consideration, and most fully concur in the views presented in the resolutions of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and regard with unfeigned satisfaction the proceedings thereupon in the House of Bishops, found upon pages 48 and 177 of Journal of 1856.

Your committee believe that if tunes shall be selected, and their use enforced, by the same authority as the hymns, and the tunes be printed in the same volume, and in juxtaposition with the psalms and hymns, it would remedy the evils complained of and restore congregational singing. This would relieve the pastor from a responsibility always difficult and for which the best clergyman may not be competent. It would remove the inducements to leave it sometimes to irreligious singers to offer the praises of the congregation, and it would precisely meet an increasing want of the age, by enabling at once all who understand the science of music to join in this part of the worship ; and the tunes not being changeable at the pleasure of any one performer, would soon be familiar to those who do not understand that science.

Your committee would therefore offer the following for adoption :

*Resolved*, That this Convention are highly gratified that steps have been taken by the General Convention to devise some plan of promoting congregational singing ; and would suggest to the committee and urge upon all who may be called to act upon the subject, that the readiest and probably the only way to attain the end, will be to have the music and psalms and hymns arranged and printed together, and their use made alike obligatory.

S. A. BRONSON,  
L. L. HOLDEN,  
GEO. KECK,  
H. N. GREENE, } Committee.

Rev. Mr. Holden offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the thanks of the clergy of the Convention be presented to the anonymous donor of a copy of the "Life of the Rev. Legh Richmond," to each clergyman of the Diocese.

Rev. Dr. Burr, Chairman of the committee on Canons, offered, under instructions, the following amended report, which was adopted :

The committee on Canons report, under instructions, the following amendment to section 2nd, of Canon II, viz : add, at the close of the section : "Provided, that every male communicant of the parish, who shall have been such for six months next preceding the election, shall be entitled to vote."

On motion, the Convention proceeded to the election of Treasurer of the Diocese. The ballot was

unanimously dispensed with, and Mr. T. G. Odiorne, the present Treasurer, being nominated, was unanimously re-elected.

On motion by Rev. Mr. Blackaller,

*Ordered*, That the next Annual Convention be held in Trinity Church, Newark, on the first Thursday in June, 1858.

On motion by Rev. Mr. Badger,

*Resolved*, That the Standing Committee of the Diocese be instructed to make a report to each Annual Convention.

Mr. D. D. Aiken, from the committee on Parsonages and Clergymen's salaries, offered the following report, which was adopted :

The committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address relating to Parsonage Houses, report—

That so far as they know, or have heard, there is great unanimity of sentiment, on this subject, throughout the Diocese. We presume there is not an individual churchman therein, who would not, in theory, respond, most heartily, to the Bishop's suggestions. All agree, that a comfortable Parsonage House would not only contribute very essentially to the comfort and happiness of the minister and his family, but would also render it very much easier for most parishes to support their minister. The feeling of attachment to the church would thereby be greatly increased and strengthened, in the minds of the parishioners. It would have a strong tendency to prevent the too frequent, and often injurious, clerical changes. It would tend very much to strengthen the feeling of attachment which should ever exist between the minister and his people. It would prevent the necessity of frequent removals by the minister, and the consequent interruption to his studies and the discharge of parochial duties ; and perhaps keep him out of the power of grasping and unprincipled landlords. Every motive of duty and of interest would seem to unite in inducing each one of our parishes, not already provided with a Parsonage, to lose no time in providing the ways and means for procuring one.

The committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

*Resolved*, That this Convention respond most heartily to the recommendation of the Bishop, in regard to the erection of a Parsonage House in every parish ; and strongly urge upon every parish to take immediate measures for the attainment of so desirable an object.

D. K. CADY,  
D. D. AIKEN,  
A. COLEMAN, } Committee.

Rev. Dr. Watson, Chairman of the committee on the better observance of the Sabbath, presented the following report, which was adopted :

The committee to whom was submitted that part of the Bishop's Address which refers to the Sabbath, beg leave to report, by offering the following suggestions :

We believe that no part of that blessed provision which our most merciful Father has made for the salvation of our souls would have been of much avail, if it had not pleased Him to institute a Holy Day of rest. Even in Paradise, the Sabbath was necessary, before the spiritual eye became dim. Even when the Almighty looked with complacency upon our human nature and pronounced it very good, He still saw it necessary to institute the Sabbath day. How much more then is it necessary that this sacred observance should be strictly carried out, in this overburdened, sin-distempered, unspiritual, fallen world in which we live. As friends of true religion it is our avowed desire to further every good design, and our attention is now more especially directed to this. We cannot better discharge our duty as a committee, than by urging the great importance of the subject, and recommending to the clergy the regular duty of warning their flocks, at least quarterly, in public ; presenting the matter in their discourses in all its various bearings ; and since such teaching will only reach those who frequent the House of God, we further recommend that they make this subject a very prominent part of their private counsels to their parishioners, from house to house. We recommend also, to our lay members, and more especially, to the wardens of our churches, that they be instant in season and out of season, in the same good cause. There is no way in which they can be fellow helpers so efficiently as in this, and this is what we now briefly and respectfully submit.

GEO. WATSON,  
J. T. BROOKE,  
A. B. SAMS,  
W. MUNGER, } Committee.

Rev. Mr. Nicholson, Chairman of the committee on Missions and Education, presented the following report, which was adopted :

The Standing committee on Missions and Education, having had under examination the reports laid before them from the Missionary and Education committees of the Diocese, beg leave to submit the following :

That they find the present arrangement for the Missionary and Education work of the Diocese to have been thus far efficient and satisfactory.

That for the distinctive work of Missions, there have been collected, within the past year, about \$900 more than ever before collected during

the same time; that, as compared with the previous year, eight additional missionaries have been appointed and eighteen additional stations occupied, and that the Missionary committee have sustained in all forty-three stations; and yet that there is now remaining in the Treasury, \$440.50.

That, in regard to Education, the liberal things which were begun by that committee have been carried on during the year to satisfactory results, and the Convention and the Diocese are called to devout thankfulness before God in view of the great and needed increase, thus held out in prospect, of laborers in the Lord's vineyard. Still your committee find that these results have not been effected without large help from other dioceses; and while we thankfully acknowledge this aid, and hope it may be continued, we would earnestly commend this cause of Education to churchmen in Ohio, especially in the view that if the cause of education be allowed to languish, that of missions also must suffer.

Your committee offer the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, That the Convention view with thankfulness and satisfaction the working of the two committees during the past year.

*Resolved*, That it be recommended to the Education committee to canvass more thoroughly, by means of their agent, the various parishes of the Diocese, in furtherance of the interests of education.

*Resolved*, That in accordance with the provisions of Canon IV, the following named parishes be dissolved, and declared defunct, to wit: Christ Church, Xenia; Christ Church, Yellow Springs, and St. James' Church, Kingston.

Wm. R. NICHOLSON,  
GEO. WATSON,  
A. PHELPS, } Committee.

On motion by Rev. Mr. McElroy:

*Resolved*, That the Bishop be requested to appoint the committee on Female Education.\*

On motion, the Convention took a recess till half past two o'clock, p. m.

HALF PAST TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Convention assembled, and united in singing the 75th Hymn.

The call of the roll was dispensed with.

\* See List of Committees at the close of the Journal proper.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to the election of the Missionary committee. The ballot was unanimously dispensed with, when the following persons were nominated and elected:

**MISSIONARY COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.**

|                   |                          |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Rev. Dr. Claxton, | Messrs. John W. Andrews, |
| “ Dr. Butler,     | M. G. Mitchell,          |
| “ Mr. McElroy,    | Douglass Case,           |
| “ Mr. Blackaller, | Moses M. Granger.        |
| “ Mr. Reynolds.   |                          |

On motion, the Convention proceeded to the election of the Education committee. The ballot was unanimously dispensed with, when the following persons were nominated and elected:

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.**

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| Rev. Mr. Blake, | Messrs. Lorin Andrews, |
| “ Mr. Badger,   | Hamilton L. Smith,     |
| “ Dr. Smith,    | B. L. Lang,            |
| “ Mr. Benson.   | M. White.              |

On motion by Rev. Mr. Nicholson,

*Ordered*, That the Secretary be instructed to print 1,000 copies of the Journal of this Convention, and to deposit 50 copies in the Library of the Theological Seminary.

On motion, the report of the committee on the Immediate Endowment of the Episcopate was so amended, as to allow of the appointment of more than one agent, and the blank in the first resolution was filled with the names of Rev. N. H. Schenck, Lorin Andrews, and M. G. Mitchell.

No further business being before the Convention, the Secretary read the minutes of this day's proceedings, which were amended and approved.

The reading of the minutes of the previous days' proceedings was dispensed with.

On motion by Rev. Mr. Davis,

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Rev. W. C. French, for the very able manner in which he has discharged the duties of Secretary of the same.

On motion, after the chanting of the *Gloria in Excelsis*, and prayers, and the Apostolic Benediction by the Bishop, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

CHA'S P. McILVAINE,

*Bishop of the Diocese and President of the Convention.*

Attest:

WILLIAM C. FRENCH,

*Secretary.*

[ N O T E . ]

The following persons were present in the Convention, as Honorary Members, under the XVIth Rule of Order:

*Clergymen of this Diocese* :—Rev. THOMAS G. ADDISON and Rev. WILLIAM WASHINGTON.

*Of the Diocese of Indiana* :—Rev. JOHN B. WAKEFIELD.

# COMMITTEES, TRUSTEES AND OFFICERS, 1857-8.

## STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.

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" C. M. BUTLER, D.D., DAVID K. CADY,  
" C. W. FITCH, THOMAS G. ODIERNE.

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" R. BETHELL CLAXTON, D.D., ELISHA T. STERLING,  
" ERASTUS BURR, D.D., JOHN W. ANDREWS,  
" JAMES McELROY, KENT JARVIS,  
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" HENRY BLACKALLER, M. M. GRANGER.  
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## COMMITTEE ON THE IMMEDIATE ENDOWMENT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

REV. JAMES A. BOLLES, D.D.; JOHN W. ANDREWS, KENT JARVIS, WILLIAM PROCTER.

## COMMITTEE TO ATTEND EXAMINATIONS AT GAMBIER.

REV. J. T. BROOKE, D.D., Gov. S. P. CHASE, LL.D.,  
" L. BURTON, RUFUS KING, Esq.,  
" C. REYNOLDS, Hon. G. I. YOUNG,  
" E. C. BENSON, M. M. GRANGER, Esq.,  
" J. A. M. LA TOURRETTE, H. D. COOKE, Esq.,  
" J. R. TAYLOR. DOUGLASS CASE, M.D.

## COMMITTEE ON MURAL TABLET TO BISHOP CHASE.

REV. JAMES McELROY, REV. ERASTUS BURR, D.D., DAVID K. CADY.

## COMMITTEE TO REPORT TO NEXT CONVENTION ON CHARITABLE FUNDS, ETC.

JOHN W. ANDREWS, THOMAS SPARROW.

## COMMITTEE TO RECEIVE AND EXPEND FUNDS FOR FEMALE EDUCATION.

THE BISHOP, *ex officio* PRESIDENT.  
REV. JAMES McELROY, MESSRS. JOHN W. ANDREWS,  
" CHARLES REYNOLDS, DOUGLASS CASE.

## SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND CHILDREN OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

THE BISHOP, *ex officio* PRESIDENT.  
REV. J. RICE TAYLOR, SECRETARY. GEO. BROWNING, Esq., TREASURER.

## N O T I C E .

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**THE Forty-First Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, will be holden, by Divine Permission, in TRINITY CHURCH, NEWARK, on Thursday, June 5th, A. D. 1858, commencing at 10 o'clock, a. m.**

**WILLIAM C. FRENCH,  
SECRETARY.**

**IRONTON, July 1st, 1857.**

## APPENDIX.

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### PAROCHIAL AND CLERICAL REPORTS,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 4, 1857.

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#### *Akron, St. Paul's . . . . . Rev. Edward Meyer.*

Baptisms—infant, 3 ; confirmations, 3 ; communicants—last reported, 27 ; added—new, 5 ; removed, 3 ; suspended, 1 ; present number, 30 ; marriages, 1 ; burials, 4.

Communion offerings, \$42.03.

Sunday School—pupils, 12 ; teachers, 3 ; catechised by pastor every Sunday. (The school has been languid and fluctuating.)

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$15 ; Contingent fund, \$9 ; Missions—Domestic, \$4.25 ; Diocesan, \$10.34 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$5.50 ; Purchase of a Rectory, (in cash and pledges,) \$1000 ; Repairs, insurance, etc., \$43.60 ; Miscellaneous, \$7.28—Total, \$1134.

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#### *Ashtabula, St. Peter's . . . . . Rev. Homer Wheeler.*

Baptisms—infant, 10 ; adult, 14 ; confirmations, 20 ; communicants—last reported, 175 ; added—new, 22 ; by transfer, 6 : died, 7 ; removed, 9 ; suspended, 4 ; present number, 184 ; marriages, 12 ; burials, 15.

Communion offerings, \$286.90 net.

Sunday School—pupils, 30 ; teachers, 4 ; catechised by pastor 12 times before the congregation.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$25 ; Contingent fund, \$9 ; Missions—Foreign, \$8 ; Domestic, \$12.58 ; Diocesan, \$18.50, for missions in Ashtabula county ; Education, \$114 ; Nashotah Theo. Seminary, \$18.

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#### *Bellevue, St. Paul's . . . . . Vacant.*

Communicants—18.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$10 ; Contingent fund, \$3.

JOHN GRIMES, Senior Warden.

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#### *Berkshire, Grace . . . . . Rev. Henry Payne, (late Rector.)*

Baptisms—infant, 3 ; confirmations, 8 ; communicants—last reported, 28 ; marriages, 1 ; burials, 1.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$10; Contingent fund, \$3; Missions—Diocesan, \$3; Education, 4. I suppose that the present rector will report on the other items unreported above.

*Boardman, St. James' . . . . . Vacant.*

Baptisms—infant, 4; communicants—last reported, 34; added—by transfer, 1; removed, 4; present number, 31; burials, 1.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$10; Contingent fund, \$3; Missions—Foreign, \$8; Diocesan, \$7.60; Education, \$5.

The parish is now vacant, but is engaged with zeal in enlarging and re-seating the church—the expense of which will be \$440, the whole of which has been pledged.

EDWARD FITCH, *Senior Warden.*

*Canfield, St. Stephen's . . . . . Vacant.*

Baptisms—infant, 1; communicants, 22; burials, 2.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$8; Contingent fund, \$3; Missions—Foreign, \$7; Diocesan, \$7.40; Education, \$1; Am. Bible. Soc., \$6; Contingent expenses, \$5; Repairing church, \$66.87.

The parish is now vacant, but there is a strong desire to obtain a minister. In connection with St. James' Parish, Boardman, and the aid of the Missionary committee, a minister can be comfortably supported.

S. C. Lockwood, *Senior Warden.*

*Centerville, St. David's . . . . . Rev. Abraham Edwards.*

Baptisms—infant, 8; communicants—last reported, 53; died, 2; removed, 4; present number, 47; marriages, 1; burials, 3.

Communion offerings, \$5.

Sunday School—pupils, 50; teachers, 10; catechised by pastor 12 times.

Contributed—for Diocesan Missions, \$7; Am. Bible Society, \$56.

This parish has suffered much, of late years, by removals and deaths. They are no longer able to support their minister; he has supported himself chiefly by teaching for the last four or five years. His health will not permit him any longer to teach during the week, and then to preach on Sunday. Under these circumstances, he has been obliged to resign his present charge, which is to take place in September next.

*Chillicothe, St. Paul's . . . . . Rev. G. W. DuBois.*

The Wardens of St. Paul's Parish, Chillicothe, respectfully report that the rectorship of said parish has been vacant since September, 1856, until within the past few weeks; that the Rev. G. W. DuBois, late of St. James' Parish, Zanesville, has recently accepted the invitation of the Vestry of St. Paul's, but has not yet been enabled to enter on his duties. In his absence, therefore, they beg leave to submit the following as the parochial report, suggesting, at the same time, that,

from the limited information conveyed by the Parish Register, there may be, and probably are, many inaccuracies.

Baptisms—infant, 12 ; adult, 2 ; marriages, 1 ; burials, 7 ; communicants—last reported, 108 ; added—new, 5 ; died, 1 ; removed, 7 ; present number, 105.

Average number of children and teachers in Sunday School, 75.

Contributed—for Sunday School, \$30 ; Thanksgiving offerings for poor, \$10.54 ; Bible Society, \$16.47.

E. P. KENDRICK, *Senior Warden.*

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*Cincinnati, Christ . . . . . Rev. C. M. Butler, D.D.*

Baptisms—infant, 31 ; adult, 2 ; marriages, 18 ; burials, 23 ; confirmations, 15 ; communicants—last reported, 236 ; added—new, 17 ; by transfer, 20 ; removed, 11 ; died, 2 ; present number, 250.

Sunday School—scholars and teachers, 275.

Communion alms, \$667.75.

Collected—for Diocesan Missions, \$497.75 ; Bible Society, \$279.53 ; Dorcas Society, \$67.77 ; Sunday School, \$69 ; Foreign Missions, \$127.54 ; Easter offering for Diocesan Missions, \$1369 ; American Sunday School Union, \$300 ; American Tract Society, \$325.75 ; Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$188.34 ; Education Society, \$200 ; City Missions, \$101.30 ; Episcopate fund, \$260 ; Contingent fund, \$77.50 ; Kenyon College, \$500 ; by Sunday School, for Foreign, Domestic, and Diocesan Missions, \$500 ; Dorcas Society, \$450 ; Benevolent Society, \$867 ; for Mr. Gray's Mission, \$1351 ; aid for church building, \$300 ; repair of the organ, \$625—Total, \$9024.23.

The above report includes those services of Rev. Mr. Gray which were performed in connection with Christ Church.

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*Cincinnati, St. John's . . . . . Rev. Wm. R. Nicholson.*

Baptisms—infant, 24 ; adult, 4 ; confirmations, 18 ; communicants—last reported, 156 ; added—new, 18 ; by transfer, 26 ; died, 8 ; removed, 25 ; present number, 172 ; marriages, 17 ; burials, 18.

Communion offerings, \$269.27.

Sunday School—pupils, 330 ; teachers, 32 ; catechised by pastor 8 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$190 ; Contingent fund, \$45 ; Missions—Foreign, \$500 ; Domestic, \$100 ; Diocesan, \$500 ; Education, \$596.72 ; Missions in Kansas, \$50 ; Cape Palmas Female Orphan Asylum, \$75 ; for the Sunday School of the parish, \$45.80 ; Special collections for the poor, \$75.93 ; Evangelical Knowledge Society, \$50.36 ; Young Men's Bible Society of Cincinnati, \$38.80 ; Church at Oberlin, \$50. Total of all contributions, \$2586.88. Of this amount, the sum of \$1225, for missionary purposes, was contributed by the Sunday School.

*Cincinnati, St. Paul's.....Rev. P. H. Greenleaf, D.D.*

Baptisms—infant, 48 ; adult, 11 ; confirmations, 29 ; communicants—last reported, 163 ; added—new, 42 ; by transfer, 14 ; died, 5 ; removed, 18 ; present number, 201 ; marriages, 20 ; burials, 21.

Communion offerings, \$715.56.

Sunday School—pupils, 104 ; teachers, 14 ; catechised by pastor many times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$380 ; Contingent fund, \$75 ; Missions—Domestic and City Missions, \$1303.12 ; Pledge for Gambier, \$200 ; Parochial purposes other than salaries and expenses, \$2229 —Total, \$4902.68.

*Cincinnati, Mission Chapel.....Rev. Edward Magee.*

Baptisms—infant, 18 ; adult, 1 ; confirmations, 7 ; marriages 5 ; burials, 25 ; communicants—last reported, 41 ; increased—by admission, 14 ; diminished—by death, 4 ; by removal, 7 ; present number 44.

Communion alms, \$24.

Sunday School—present attendance, 115 ; teachers, 11 ; catechised, monthly.

Contributions—rent of “upper room” for Public Worship, \$130 ; towards Missionary’s salary, \$100 ; proceeds of donation visit at Thanksgiving, \$150 ; by a friend of the Mission, for the “suffering poor,” \$15 ; in small sums from individuals, “to purchase fuel for the destitute,” \$108 ; Communion alms, \$24—Total, \$527.

The one great want of this Mission—humanly speaking, is a *Church edifice*, however plain, only large enough to meet the requirements of public worship. But for this galling necessity, long ere now had its Sunday School been fourfold, and itself a *Parish*—an additional power on the lever of the Gospel, by which the dark places are to be raised to light. Painfully close to us, indeed, is the application of Christ’s words to his disciples,—“The poor have ye always with you.” Would that, as his disciples, we could *always remember for what purpose!*

*Cincinnati, Trinity.....Rev. Richard Gray.*

Baptisms—infant, 14 ; communicants, 8 ; burials, 6.

Communion offerings, \$10.30.

I commenced services in Trinity Church last Easter Sunday as a *free* church, especially for the benefit of the poor. The congregation has averaged 59 persons at each service. I have also visited the families connected with the parish eighty-three times since Easter, in addition to my regular visits to the poor, and have distributed a number of religious books and tracts. I hope to begin a Sunday School as soon as some necessary repairs are completed in the church.

*Circleville, St. Philip's.....Rev. Daniel Risser.*

Communicants—added, by transfer, 3 ; died, 3 ; removed, 5 ; present number, 30 ; burials, 3.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$25 ; Contingent fund, \$10 ; Diocesan Missions, \$5 ; Bible Society, \$11.

The parish is temporarily vacant by the sickness and absence of the Rector.

WALTER THRALL, *Senior Warden.*

*Cleveland, Grace.....Rev. Lawson Carter.*

Baptisms—infant, 14 ; adult, 2 ; confirmations, 7 ; communicants—last reported, 114 ; added—new, 8 ; by transfer, 9 ; died, 3 ; removed, 15 ; present number, 106 ; marriages, 9 ; burials, 17.

Communion offerings, about \$105.

Sunday School—pupils, 120 ; teachers, 16 ; catechised by pastor 12 times ; superintended and examined by him nearly every Sunday.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$40 ; Contingent fund, \$15 ; Missions—Domestic, \$15 ; Diocesan, \$15 ; Education, \$9.

The above is as nearly accurate as could be ascertained. There have been sundry contributions, besides those noticed above, for poor parishes, for Sunday School, &c., amounting, probably, to \$150.

*Cleveland, St. John's.....Rev. Lewis Burton.*

Baptisms—infant, 22 ; adult, 3 ; confirmations, 7 ; communicants—last reported, 134 ; added—new, 9 ; by transfer, 5 ; died, 1 ; removed, 7 ; present number, 140 ; marriages, 14 ; burials, 18.

Sunday School—pupils, 126 ; teachers, 20 ; catechised by pastor several times during the year.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$40 ; Contingent fund, \$15 ; Missions—Foreign, \$24.28 (\$12.03 of which being for Africa, by Sunday School) ; Domestic, \$15.86 ; Diocesan, \$60 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$9 ; for Sunday School library and gift books, \$67 ; for improvements of church and grading of lot, about \$300 (of which the Ladies' Sewing Circle contributed about \$200) ; to Trinity Church, Tiffin, \$15 ; to Christ Church, Oberlin, \$30 ; to Cleveland Bible Society, \$10 ; for the poor, for wine for the Communion, and sundry small items of expenditure for parochial and benevolent objects, \$43.85—Total, \$629.99.

*Cleveland, St. Paul's.....Rev. R. B. Claxton, D.D.*

Baptisms—infant, 18 ; adult, 3 ; confirmations, 14 (including 1 confirmed in St. John's Church) ; communicants—last reported, 115 ; added—new, 15 ; by transfer, 16 ; died, 2 ; removed, 11 ; present number, 133 ; marriages, 15 ; burials, 12.

Sunday School—scholars, 180 ; teachers, 24.

Contributions : Missions—Diocesan, \$113.50 ; Domestic, \$10.18 ; Foreign, 84.75 ; Episcopate, \$100 ; Contingent fund, \$27.50 ; in aid of the Church in Tiffin, \$30 ; to a missionary in the Diocese, \$40 ; in aid of a Church in Michigan, under the care of Rev. Mr. Lyster, \$18.53 ; Cleveland Bible Society, \$21 ; Communion offerings, etc., for the

poor, for the purposes of the Sunday School, etc., etc., \$223.80 ; a scholarship to Kenyon College, \$200 ; towards meeting deficiency, \$100 ; carpeting for the chancel, \$50—Total, \$1019.21.

*Cleveland, Trinity* ..... *Rev. James A. Bolles.*

Baptisms—infant, 29 ; adult, 13 ; communicants—last reported, 155 ; added—new, 25 ; died, 2 ; removed, 19 ; present number, 159 ; marriages, 17 ; burials, 11.

Communion offerings, \$342.06.

Sunday School—pupils, 134 ; teachers, 18 ; catechised by pastor 18 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$110 ; Contingent fund, \$22.50 ; Missions—Foreign, \$10 ; Domestic, \$588.18 ; Diocesan, \$482.50 ; Education, \$100.

The above amounts, under the respective heads of Domestic Missions, Diocesan, and Education, have not all been given *through* the societies organized for those purposes, but have been given as follows: Domestic Board of Missions, \$23.26 ; Missions in Kansas, \$69.82 ; Rev. Mr. Lyster's Mission in Michigan, \$77 ; Rev. Mr. Safford, at Marquette, \$243.20 ; Oshkosh, Wis., \$140 ; Diocesan Missionary committee, \$81.82 ; Church in Tiffin, Ohio, \$30 ; Church in Oberlin, \$141.18 ; Church in Akron, \$90 ; Rev. Mr. Corlett, City Mission, \$140 ; a student at Gambier, \$50 ; candidate for the ministry at Gambier, \$50 ; Nashotah Mission, Wisconsin, 34.90—\$1170.68.

In addition—a student for the ministry at Geneva, \$50 ; Orphan Asylum, \$64.50 ; Home for the Sick and Friendless, \$75.20 ; proceeds of Ladies' Fair, \$310—\$499.70.

Adding the above, also Communion alms, \$342.06 ; Mt. Vaughan Mission, Africa, \$20 ; and collected in Sunday School, \$49.67—Total, \$2072.11.

*Clifton, Calvary* ..... *Rev. Wm. F. Lloyd.*

Baptisms—infant, 5 ; communicants, 11 ; marriages, 1 ; burials, 2.

Sunday School—pupils, 40 ; teachers, 5 ; catechised several times.

Contributions—Episcopate, \$10 ; Contingent fund, \$7.50 ; Missions—Domestic, \$50 ; Diocesan, \$23 ; Foreign, \$25 ; Sunday School Library, &c., \$42.21 ; Beneficiary in Theological Seminary, Gambier, from a parishioner, \$125 ; Education committee, by collection, \$21.82 ; Sunday School children (besides collection for Foreign Missions) to Widow's Home, \$20 ; Parochial purposes, \$191.50—Total, \$566.03.

*Clinton, Christ* ..... *Rev. H. Floy Roberts.*

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; adult, 1 ; confirmations, 4 ; communicants, 10 ; marriages, 1 ; burials, 1.

Communion offerings, \$10.55 ; Bishop's salary, \$2 ; Contingent fund, \$1.50 ; Diocesan Missions, \$5—Total, \$19.05.

*Columbia, St. Luke's.....Rev. John Hockuly.*

Baptisms—infant, 7 ; adult, 1 ; confirmations, 6 ; communicants—last reported, 22 ; added—new, 7 ; removed, 1 ; present number, 28 ; marriages, 1.

Communion offerings, \$14.17.

Sunday School—pupils, 20 ; teachers, 4 ; catechised by pastor 26 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$2 ; Contingent fund, \$1.50 ; Missions—Domestic, \$2.03 ; Diocesan, \$6.95 ; Education, \$5 ; Episcopal Tracts, \$1 ; Books for Parish Library, \$1.87 ; paid on arrearages, \$1.50.

During the last winter, the Ladies' Sewing Society reorganized and generously prepared, by voluntary contributions and their handy-work, sundry articles of bedding, etc., valued at about \$10, for the better furnishing of a room in the Theological Seminary at Gambier.

I feel warranted to acknowledge here the blessings of the Great Head of the Church, upon the labors made during the past year for the extension of his kingdom among us. By preaching in many of the neighboring school-houses during the past winter, and by friendly visits with tracts of our church, a religious interest has been awakened in many, and a favorable knowledge of the church extended.

*Columbus, St. Paul's.....Rev. James A. M. La Tourrette.*

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; confirmations, 6 ; communicants—last reported, 31 ; added—new, 9 ; by transfer, 3 ; died, 2 ; removed, 2 ; present number, 41 ; marriages, 1 ; burials, 5.

Communion offerings, \$29.63.

Sunday School—pupils, 55 ; teachers, 9 ; catechised by pastor monthly.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$12 ; Contingent fund, \$9 ; Missions—Foreign, \$4.43 ; Domestic, \$10 ; Diocesan, \$1. In addition there have been contributed the following sums : at the monthly Missionary meetings, \$61.03 ; for Kenyon Hall, Oshkosh, Wisconsin, \$20 ; for the church at Oberlin, \$12 ; for Nashotah House, a box of clothing valued at \$15, and cash \$40 ; (this amount is from sales in April, 1856, by the ladies of the church, of articles manufactured by a private class of children, under the care of a communicant) ; for Sunday School Library, \$20 (from the same class April, '57) ; for incidental expenses, \$83 ; from sales, and the annual supper by the ladies of the church, \$160. The personal activity of the members is a matter of great encouragement to the Rector, and our prospects are very encouraging to all our friends.

*Columbus, Trinity.....Rev. Charles Reynolds.*

Baptisms—infant, 7 ; adult, 8 ; confirmations, 11 ; communicants—last reported, 137 ; added—new, 16 ; by transfer, 14 ; removed, 10 ; present number, 157 ; marriages, 11 ; burials, 8.

Sunday School—pupils, 135 ; teachers, 17 ; catechised by pastor monthly.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$110 ; Contingent fund, \$37.50 ; Missions—Foreign, \$80 ; Domestic, \$10 ; Diocesan, \$102.50 ; parish and other poor, \$107.90 ; Columbus Female Benevolent Society, \$50.25 ; Sunday School Union, \$47 ; American Tract Society, about \$50 ; Female Tract Society, \$15 ; Parish Sunday School, \$58.15 ; for Christ Church, Oberlin, \$79.50.

In addition to the above, about \$6,000 have been collected on the Building Fund, and \$250 pledged to the Institutions at Gambier.

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*Cross Creek, St. James'* ..... *Rev. Charles W. Farns.*

Baptisms—infant, 6 ; adult, 1 ; confirmations, 9 ; communicants—last reported, 45 ; added—new, 8 ; by transfer, 1 ; died, 1 ; removed, 2 ; present number, 51 ; marriages, 1 ; burials, 1.

Communion offerings, \$22.13. (Appropriated as below.)

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$8 ; Contingent fund, \$4 ; Missions—Foreign, \$6.13 ; Domestic, for Kansas and Nebraska, \$6 ; Diocesan, \$10.96 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$4.61 ; for a young man studying for the ministry, at Gambier, \$5 ; Monument to Bishop Chase in Rosse Chapel, \$19 ; for Kenyon College, (to redeem pledge of \$15,) \$9.75 ; for expenses of missionary visits, \$21—Total, \$94.45.

In August last I visited, in accordance with the Bishop's instructions, St. James', Cross Creek, St. John's, E. Springfield, and St. Stephen's, E. Liverpool ; and I spent some six weeks in visiting our people scattered over this part of the State, and in October took charge of St. James', Cross Creek, with other missionary work. The attendance of the people is very good, and affords an example worthy of being followed by those who, in more favored localities, have not to ride *six* or *eight miles* over bad roads to get to the Lord's House on the Lord's Day. The only unfavorable matter I have to mention is that, owing to the distance of our people from church, it is impossible to have a Sunday School.

I have, in addition to my regular duties, preached several times in St. Paul's, Steubenville, whose worthy Rector has kindly exchanged with me, and administered the Holy Communion. I have also to acknowledge the kind and valued aid of the Rev. E. Christian, of the Diocese of Virginia, who also exchanged with me for the same purpose.

I have been everywhere most kindly (and in Ohio, I need hardly say, most *hospitably*) received. In this part of the Diocese there are many places which sadly need the kind and fostering and *prompt* aid of the rest of the church to enable them to secure the services of a minister of the church. I trust this aid will not be withheld too long, waiting for some grand opening, but that the church will immediately enter upon and occupy the field which the Master *now* opens to her.

*Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's.....Rev. L. L. Holden.*

Baptisms—infant, 5 ; adult, 1 ; confirmations, 3 ; communicants—last reported, 47 ; added—new, 3 ; by transfer, 1 ; removed, 11 ; present number, 40 ; marriages, 6 ; burials, 18.

Communion offerings, \$38.16.

Sunday School—pupils, 40 ; teachers, 10 ; preached to by pastor 8 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$25 ; Contingent fund, \$7.50 ; Missions—Foreign, \$8.28 ; children to Foreign Missions, \$11.41 ; Domestic, \$6 ; Diocesan, \$50 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$10 ; Sunday School Parish Library, Parish Visitor, &c., \$27.10 ; incidental expenses of parish repairs, &c., about \$75 ; Prayer Book and Bible for the desk, \$10.

This parish has suffered very much by removals, sixteen communicants having left in the same number of months, with several families, who were supporters. Consequently, the services of the Rector are divided between it and Christ Church, Hudson ; and some arrangement of this kind will be necessary until such time as the tide of emigration ceases, or, by the blessing of God, the numbers and strength of the parish be so increased that it can be self-supporting. May the Great Head of the Church pour us out a blessing, and bear up the overburdened but *willing hearts* and *hands* of those that remain.

*Dayton, Christ.....Rev. Henry H. Morrell.*

Baptisms—infant, 4 ; adult, 2 ; confirmations, 3 ; communicants—last reported, 102 ; added—new, 5 ; by transfer, 17 ; removed, 11 ; present number, 113 ; marriages, 7 ; burials, 8.

Communion offerings, \$22.89 ; to Dayton Orphan Asylum, \$10. Total, \$32.89.

Sunday School—pupils, 70 ; teachers, 14 ; catechised by pastor 9 times. There is also a Mission School conducted by members of the parish. Pupils, 40 ; teachers, 5.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$70 ; Contingent fund, \$15 ; Missions—Foreign, \$50 ; Domestic, \$13 ; Diocesan, \$20 ; Education, \$39.

Of the above contribution to Foreign Missions, \$32 were from the Sunday School Missionary box. The following additional contributions have been made : To the Foreign Christian Union, \$15 ; American Sunday School Union, \$20 ; for Sunday School purposes, \$54 ; Ladies Benevolent Society, for parochial purposes, \$240 ; Sunday collections for the same, \$150. Total amount contributed, \$718.89.

*Defiance, Grace.....Rev. Moses Hamilton.*

Baptisms—adult, 2 ; confirmations, 3 ; communicants—last reported, 5 ; added—new, 3 ; present number, 6.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$2 ; Contingent fund, \$1.50 ; Foreign Missions, \$10.

*Delaware, St. Peter's.....Rev. James McElroy.*

Baptisms—infant, 6 ; adult, 2 ; confirmations, 8 ; communicants—last reported, 91 ; added—new, 10 ; by transfer, 5 ; died, 1 ; removed, 8 ; present number, 97 ; marriages, 4 ; burials, 6.

Sunday School—pupils, 76 ; teachers, 9 ; catechised by pastor 10 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$55 ; Contingent fund, \$16.50 ; Missions—Foreign, \$17.35 ; Diocesan, \$25 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$16 ; expended on Parish Church and parochial property, etc., and other general purposes, \$150.87 ; Sunday School Library, \$12.65 ; to aid Kenyon College, in part redemption of parish pledge, \$26 ; Delaware County Bible Society, \$30.25 ; American Seamen's Friend Society, \$20.50—Total, \$370.12.

The Rector is happy to add, that we have never had, since the formation of the parish, greater reason for gratitude to the Giver of every good and perfect gift, and encouragement to persevere in the blessed work of Christ, than we have had during the conventional year just closed. The congregation and communion have continued to steadily increase, and peace and harmony to prevail in the parish. With the limited trade which our village commands, we can never as a parish become eminent for our contributions to the general Institutions of the church and religion, but doubtless we might add to our present contributions, and I trust we shall. Pressing home-debts have prevented us from redeeming the whole of our pledge to Kenyon College, but we hope to pay the remainder very early in the coming conventional year. The Rector is happy to record the handsome present of one hundred dollars to himself the past year from the young ladies of his congregation, the prompt payment of his salary and the conventional assessment by his parish, and a very valuable and generous donation party at the Rectory last Fall.

*Dresden, Zion.....Rev. A. T. Murphrey.*

Baptisms—infant, 1 ; communicants—last reported, 54 ; died, 1 ; removed, 4 ; suspended, 2 ; present number, 47 ; burials, 1.

Communion offerings, \$8.

Sunday School—pupils, 40 ; teachers, 9 ; catechised by pastor 3 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$15 ; Contingent fund, 7.50 ; Missions—Foreign, 10 ; Diocesan, 35 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, 6.

This parish has suffered great loss by removals and deaths within the last two years.

*East Liverpool, St. Stephen's.....Rev. Charles W. Fearns.*

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; communicants, 17 ; burials, 1.

Communion offerings, \$1.27.

Sunday School—pupils, 65 ; teachers, 8.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$1 ; Contingent fund, 1.50 ; Missions—Foreign, 1.27 ; Diocesan, 15.25.

I took charge of this parish last October, and have preached here regularly since that time once in four weeks. It is much to be desired that this congregation could have the services of a minister one-half of the time. In that case there is a fair prospect of once more building up the church where its influence is much needed.

*East Plymouth, St. Matthew's.....Rev. J. T. Eaton.*

Having forgotten, when at Plymouth, to make the necessary examination and inquiry, the following report is as correct and full as I can make from recollection :

Baptisms—infant, 4 ; confirmations, 5 ; communicants—last reported, 28 ; increased, 5 ; present number, 33 ; burials, 1.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$3 ; Contingent fund, 3 ; Missions—Diocesan, 5.

For the reason above mentioned I cannot report as to the Sunday School, and the collections at the Communion.

*East Springfield, St. John's.....Rev. Charles W. Farns.*

This parish has suffered very much from the death and removal of many of its members. At present, those who remain are more depressed than they need to be. If they would only think so, they are able to support services once a month. Rev. Richard Gray visited them last August and baptized three infants. I assisted him in the administration of the Holy Communion to about twenty persons. The Communion offerings, \$5, were appropriated to pay expenses of missionary.

*Elyria, St. Andrew's.....Vacant.*

Baptisms—infant, 1 ; communicants—last reported, 44 ; added—by transfer, 5 ; died, 2 ; removed, 7 ; present number, 40 ; marriages, 1 ; burials, 3.

Communion offerings, \$22.72.

Sunday School—pupils, 25 ; teachers, 4.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$5 ; Contingent fund, 3 ; Education, 5 ; for Organ, 100.

The late Rector, Rev. Francis Granger, resigned his charge on Easter Sunday, since which period we were without the ministration of the Word until May 24th, when Rev. B. T. Noakes officiated in the afternoon, who it is hoped will remain in charge of the parish.

RAYMOND STARR, }  
WILLIAM HOYLE, } Wardens.

*Euclid, St. Paul's.....Vacant.*

Baptisms—infant, 6 ; communicants, 20 ; burials, 1.

Communion offerings, \$5.78.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$6 ; Contingent fund, 1.50 ; Diocesan Missions, 8.35.

The Rev. Mr. Corlett officiated in this parish for five months, giving to it one-half of his time. Since his removal to Wisconsin, the church has been closed most of the time. The Rev. Dr. Claxton has officiated at one funeral, and baptized two infants, besides preaching twice. The Rev. Mr. Kennedy has also officiated at four services.

JOHN DOANE,  
HORATIO SLADE, } Wardens.

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*Franklin Mills, Christ.....Rev. Humphrey Hollis.*

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; confirmations, 1 ; communicants—last reported, 24 ; added—new, 1 ; by transfer, 1 ; died, 2 ; suspended, 1 ; present number, 23.

Communion offerings, \$6.18.

Sunday School—pupils, 12 ; teachers, 2.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$5 ; Contingent fund, 1.50 ; Diocesan Missions, 5—Total, \$11.50.

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*Fremont, St. Paul's.....Rev. Richard L. Chittenden.*

Baptisms—infant, 5 ; adult, 1 ; confirmations, 2 ; burials, 4 ; communicants—last reported, 23 ; increased, by admission, 5 ; by transfer, 8 ; died, 2 ; removed, 4 ; present number, 25.

Sunday School—pupils, 54 ; teachers (including Rector), 9 ; addressed occasionally by pastor.

Contributions—Communion alms, \$20.98, \$5 of which was applied to Diocesan Missions ; for Bishop's salary, 8 ; Contingent fund, 3 ; for carpeting vestry, 8 ; repairs of church, &c., 12.50. A small sum has been raised by the Sunday School for books, &c., amount unknown.

The items in regard to the number of communicants are for the last two years, and are probably nearly correct. The other items include only the past year. The undersigned took charge of the parish in August last, at which time it had been vacant for about five months. During a part of that interval, however, Sunday evening services were held by Rev. Mr. Cooper, of Tiffin.

We have reason to be encouraged by the progress of the past year. The congregation has somewhat increased, while the Sunday School has improved both as to numbers and interest. It is hoped that the labors of those having charge of the school will be blessed to the moral welfare of their pupils. The number of pupils above given is about the average actual attendance for several weeks previous to the time when the undersigned left Fremont on account of ill health.

During the fall and winter, Sunday evening services were held at Balville, a small hamlet near Fremont. These were encouragingly attended.

Although no special religious interest has been manifested among us, yet we have reason to thank God and take courage, in view of our condition.

About the first of April the undersigned was compelled to relinquish his labors at Fremont by failing health. Since that time he has been absent from the parish. He hopes, however, soon to be able to resume his work.

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*Gallipolis, St. Peter's..... Vacant.*

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; communicants, 10.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$3 ; Contingent fund, 2.

We have been visited, during the past year, by Rev. Mr. Edwards, from Centerville, and Rev. Mr. French, from Ironton. Owing to a difficulty in regard to our old church edifice, but little has been done. That matter is now satisfactorily arranged, and we have a building fund of upwards of \$600 cash in hand ; and it is believed that a sufficient sum, in addition, can be raised, to put up a very respectable building. We have also raised, by subscription, \$200 for the support of a minister, and can safely say that it will be increased to \$250. There appears to be a growing interest in the Episcopal Church in this place, and we have no hesitancy in saying that the present is a propitious time to reorganize the church in Gallipolis. The present number of communicants is given upon hearsay only.

A. VANCE,  
C. R. MINTURN, } Wardens.

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*Gambier, Harcourt..... Rev. Noah Hunt Schenck.*

Baptisms—infant, 18 ; adult, 3 ; confirmations, 18 ; communicants—last reported, 220 ; added—new, 22 ; by transfer, 33 ; died, 2 ; removed, 34 ; suspended, 2 ; present number, 237 ; marriages, 5 ; burials, 6.

Communion offerings, \$169.80.

Sunday School—pupils, 80 ; teachers, 14 ; catechised by pastor monthly ; Sunday Schools in the neighborhood (taught by members of Bexley Hall Miss. Soc. and others), 11 ; teachers, 30 ; pupils, 250.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$100 ; Contingent fund, 24 ; Missions—Foreign, 70 ; Domestic, 50 ; Diocesan, 51 ; Education, 171.56 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, 50 ; to Bexley Hall Missionary Soc., 23 ; to Kenyon Hall Parish School, Oshkosh, Wis., 70 ; to Col. Soc., 4 ; private contribution to Missions, &c., by a communicant, 63.78 ; Sunday School offerings to China Mission, 30 ; special contributions for Missions at Mt. Vaughan, Africa, by Sunday School, 20 ; by congregation, 30 ; Bexley Hall Missionary Society, 25 ; for Mural Tablet in Rosse Chapel, to memory of Bishop Chase, 171.

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*Grafton, St. Stephen's..... Vacant.*

[No Report.]

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*Granville, St. Luke's..... Rev. Columbus S. Doolittle.*

Baptisms—infant, 1 ; adult, 2 ; confirmations, 8 ; communicants—

last reported, 51 ; added—new, 4 ; by transfer, 1 ; removed, 12 ; suspended, 1 ; present number, 46.

Sunday School—pupils, 25 ; teachers, 4.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$15 ; Contingent fund, 7.50.

I took charge of this parish on the second Sunday in Advent ; found it very much weakened by removals. I found also that the benevolent operations of the parish had long been carried on by a society which was not in working order, and which was only resuscitated a short time since. This will account, no doubt, for our apparent want of interest in the great work of Christian benevolence. There have, however, been fifty or sixty dollars collected in the parish by agents for various benevolent objects.

*Greenville, St. Paul's..... Vacant.*

Baptisms—infant, 1 ; communicants—last reported, 14 ; died, 2 ; present number, 12.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$2 ; Contingent fund, 3.

This parish has had no clerical services during the past year, except to visit the sick, and baptize, and to bury the dead. The church is in good repair, and a little company of the daughters of Zion are looking for an answer to their prayer, that God would send them one to break to them the bread of life.

C. W. FITCH.

*Hamilton's, St. Matthew's..... Vacant.*

*Hartsgrove, St. Paul's..... Vacant.*

[No Reports.]

*Hillsboro', St. Mary's..... Rev. Warren H. Roberts.*

Baptisms—infant, 4 ; communicants—last reported, 38 ; added—by transfer, 3 ; removed, 8 ; present number, 33 ; marriages, 2 ; burials, 2.

Communion offerings, \$4.70 ; Sunday School, 16.55.

Sunday School—pupils, 40 ; teachers, 8 ; catechised by pastor frequently.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$12 ; Contingent fund, 4.50 ; Diocesan Missions, 10.05 ; paid towards liquidating the debt on church and parsonage, \$1050—Total, \$1096.75.

With the above statistics, it may be well to state that the present officiating minister took charge of St. Mary's parish in September, 1856. His report embraces a space of time considerably less than a year. The embarrassed state of the church has rendered our offerings for missionary and other purposes far less than we desire. Our difficulties at present seem to be assuming a more favorable shape, and we hope, before another year closes, to be in a measure relieved.

*Hudson, Christ.....Rev. Levi L. Holden,*  
(temporarily officiating.)

Baptisms—infant, 5 ; confirmations, 5 ; communicants—last reported, 49 ; added—new, 2 ; removed, 5 ; present number, 46 ; burials, 1.

Communion offerings, \$6.50.

Sunday School—pupils, 30 ; teachers, 8.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$20 ; Contingent fund, 9 ; Diocesan Missions, 5.75.

My temporary connection with this parish commenced on the last Sunday in March, one half of my time being given to it, and the other half to St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls. The parish was vacant about six months, and I have the data for only a partial report of what was done after the last Convention until the resignation of the former Rector. It is to be hoped that soon the parish will secure the full services of a Rector again. This seems very important, because of the existence of the Western Reserve College there, in which are young men either of Episcopal families, or who love the services of the church.

*Huron, Christ.....Rev. Samuel Marks.*

Baptisms—infant, 14 ; adult, 3 ; confirmations, 5 ; communicants—last reported, 26 ; added—new, 4 ; removed, 1 ; present number, 29 ; marriages, 9 ; burials, 9.

Communion offerings, \$5.

Sunday School—pupils, 40 ; teachers, 6 ; services elsewhere, have interrupted my usual course of catechising.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$4 ; Contingent fund, 2 ; Missions—Domestic, 5 ; Diocesan, 6.75.

I have devoted half of the past year to Vermillion, and have reason to believe, that my labor has not been in vain ; and by their desire, I am to continue my services, as in the year past. In Huron and Vermillion the congregations are very good. Many are the miles traveled to bury the dead, and sermons preached in the course of the year, which appear not ordinarily in my report. Laborious as these duties are, they are done in the hope that good will result to the church in the end.

*Ironton, Christ.....Rev. William C. French.*

Baptisms—infant, 9 ; adult, 4 ; confirmations, 10 ; communicants—last reported, 35 ; added—new, 10 ; by transfer, 5 ; died, 1 ; removed, 5 ; suspended for non-attendance, 5 ; present number, 39 ; burials, 5.

Communion offerings, \$31.01.

Sunday School—pupils, 30 ; teachers, 6.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$3 ; Contingent fund, 3 ; Missions—Foreign, penny collection in Sunday School since 1st of March, 3 ; Diocesan, 25 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, 3.75 ; Balance on Melodeon, 45 ; to defray Pastor's expenses to Convention, 15 ; Relief of the poor, 2.50 ; by Ladies' Sewing Circle, for parochial purposes, 30—Total, \$130.25.

Of the 39 communicants, 5 reside in the neighboring villages of Catlettsburg and Ashland in the Diocese of Kentucky, but there being no organized parish within 90 miles in that Diocese, they have been received into our little fold—three by confirmation, and two by transfer. In the latter place the Missionary has held service in the afternoon of every Sunday, for the past two months, the first service of our church being on last Easter day. Although out of our own Diocese, yet the opening seemed too good a one to be lost on that account, especially as the services are rendered without diminishing the usual number at home. Our Sunday School, which, at the last report, was the most discouraging feature of our operations, is now the most encouraging.

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*Jefferson, Trinity.....Rev. J. T. Eaton.*

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; burial, 1 ; communicants, 10.

Contributions—Episcopate, \$5 ; Contingent fund, \$1.

I understand this parish desires my services to be continued, and I expect to do so.

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*Lancaster, St. John's.....Rev. Daniel Risser.*

Sunday School—children, 32 ; teachers, 4.

Contributions—for the Bishop's salary, \$15 ; Contingent fund, 7.50 ; Diocesan Missions, 20—Total, \$42.50.

It is to be noted that the Rector has been absent during the entire year, and that the Sunday services of the church have been almost entirely suspended. In June last, pursuant to medical advice and with the approbation of his parishioners, Mr. Risser visited the South for the benefit of his health, and has not yet returned ; hence the lack of the statistical data in this report. It will be proper to state that the Sunday School has been kept up with faithful regularity, and that \$10 of the sum specified above for the Diocesan Missions is from the weekly offerings of the children.

WILLIAM J. REESE, *Senior Warden.*

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*Lyme, Trinity.....Vacant.*

Baptisms—infant, 3 ; communicants, 32.

Communion offerings, \$35.72.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$8 ; Contingent fund, 3 ; Education, 10 ; Incidental expenses, 32.42.

JOHN CLARKE, *Senior Warden.*

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*Madison, St. Matthew's.....Rev. A. T. McMurphy.*

Baptisms—infant, 1 ; communicants—last reported, 22 ; added—new, 2 ; removed, 1 ; present number, 23 ; burials, 1.

Communion offerings, \$9.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$8 ; Contingent fund, 3 ; Missions—

Foreign, \$5 ; Diocesan, 20 ; Education, 5 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, 5.

This parish, though small, is an exceedingly interesting and pleasant one, its members having one heart and one mind, striving together for the faith of the Gospel, and being fruitful in every good work.

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*Mansfield, Grace.....Rev. Peter H. Jeffries.*

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; adult, 1 ; confirmations, 1 ; communicants—last reported, 35 ; added—new, 1 ; by transfer, 9 ; died, 1 ; removed, 12 ; present number, 32 ; marriages, 5 ; burials, 3.

Communion offerings, \$9.70.

Sunday School—pupils, 52 ; teachers, 8 ; catechised by pastor several times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$15 ; Contingent fund, 7.50 ; Missions—Diocesan, 11 ; Sunday School, 25 ; Repairing Organ, 41 ; American Tract Society, 2.63 ; Debt on parsonage, 400—Total, \$502.13.

This parish is beginning to look up somewhat from the effects of removals with which it has been visited. Our pews are nearly all rented ; the congregation continues to increase ; we are out of debt, and we wait for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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*Marietta, St. Luke's.....Rev. John Boyd.*

Baptisms—infant, 1 ; communicants—last reported, 64 ; died, 1 ; present number, 68 ; marriages, 1 ; burials, 2.

Communion offerings, \$31.

Sunday School—pupils, 60 ; teachers, 10.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$15 ; Contingent fund, 9 ; Missions—Diocesan, 18 ; Education, 5.

Since last Convention, our little parish has commenced the erection of a new church building ; but at the present stage of its progress anything like a correct report of it would be impracticable.

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*Marion, St. Paul's.....Rev. Geo. B. Sturges.*

Baptisms—adult, 1 ; communicants—last reported, 28 ; added—new, 1 ; died, 1 ; removed, 1 ; present number, 27 ; burials, 2.

Sunday School—pupils, 40 ; teachers, 6 ; catechised by pastor 6 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$8 ; Contingent fund, 3 ; Missions—Foreign, 6 ; Diocesan, 10.

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*Massillon, St. Timothy's.....Rev. Edward H. Cumming.*

*Maumee, St. Paul's.....Rev. Darius Barker.*

[No reports.]

*Medina, St. Paul's.....Rev. Geo. S. Davis.*

Baptisms—infant, 4; adult, 1; confirmations, 2; communicants—last reported, 104; added—new, 2; removed, 2; present number, 104; marriages, 1.

Communion offerings, \$17.25.

Sunday School—pupils, 50; teachers, 9.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$30; Contingent fund, 7.50; Missions—Foreign, 10; Diocesan, 25.35.

Wm. H. CANFIELD, *Junior Warden.*

*Milan, St. Luke's.....Rev. John P. Curran.*

Communicants—last reported, 19; added—by transfer, 1; present number, 20; marriages, 4; burials, 5.

Sunday School—pupils, 50; teachers, 10; catechised by pastor once a month.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$6; arrears for last year, 6; Contingent fund, 3'; arrears, 2; Missions—Foreign, 7; Domestic, 10; Diocesan, 15; Widows' and Orphans' Society, 10.

I took charge of this parish in August last, immediately after receiving Deacon's orders. Since that time the usual services of the church have been regularly performed. The Sunday School has been in successful operation, and the Holy Communion administered once in two months by the Rev. Dr. Watson, of Norwalk, who also for several months previous to my arrival held a service here every Sunday afternoon, in addition to his own Sunday duties. This was of great assistance to the parish, and was fully appreciated by the people. We are at present very weak in numbers, having suffered severely for some years past from removals and other causes, but the few who remain are zealous and devoted, and prove the sincerity of their attachment to the church by their liberal efforts for its support. For myself and family, I can truly say that since we have been here we have experienced every possible proof of kindness and attention, not only in words but in deeds.

There is but one thing wanting to complete the happiness of the pastor, and that is, a more general and a deeper conviction of our spiritual wants, and a corresponding desire to have them supplied. May the Giver of every good and perfect gift grant both.

*Mill Creek, St. Mark's.....Rev. J. H. C. Bonte.*

Baptisms—infant, 5; adult, 1; communicants—last reported, 34; added—new, 1; removed, 12; present number, 26; marriages, 1.

Communion offerings, \$6.66.

Missions—Foreign, \$6.

*Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's.....Rev. J. Rice Taylor.*

Baptisms—infant, 10; adult, 2; confirmations, 6; communicants—

last reported, 158 ; added—new, 5 ; by transfer, 15 ; died, 1 ; removed, 16 ; present number, 161 ; marriages, 4 ; burials, 4.

Communion offerings, \$159.19.

Sunday School—pupils, 80 ; teachers, 12 ; catechised by pastor 12 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$60 ; Contingent fund, 3 ; Missions —Foreign, 10 ; Domestic, 61 ; Diocesan, 33 ; Education, 16 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, 24 ; for new Sunday School Library, (the old one having been distributed to the schools about Gambier,) 45 ; other objects, strictly benevolent, 37.50.

In addition to these sums, \$136.57 have been contributed to contingent expenses of the Church and Sunday School, making an aggregate of \$425.50.

The classes in the Sunday School have been organized into Missionary Societies, and a sum not less than \$30 will soon be forwarded as an offering of the Sunday School children for the African Mission. \$2,214 have been subscribed to put the church building in thorough repair. To effect this, \$2,500 is required, and as soon as this sum is made up, it is expected the work will be commenced.

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*Napoleon, St. John's.....Rev. Moses Hamilton.*

Communicants—last reported, 10 ; added—new, 1 ; removed, 2 ; present number, 9 ; burials, 1.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$2 ; Contingent fund, 1.

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*Newark, Trinity.....Rev. Henry Blackaller.*

Baptisms—infant, 7 ; communicants—last reported, 44 ; died, 1 ; removed, 1 ; suspended, 4 ; present number, 38 ; marriages, 7 ; burials, 12.

Communion offerings, \$36.17.

Sunday School—pupils, 86 ; teachers, 13 ; catechised by pastor 12 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$24 ; Contingent fund, 7 ; Missions —Foreign, 34 ; Diocesan, 55 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, 7 ; avails of fancy work by S. S. youth, for Library, 17 ; paid by two gentlemen to relieve the parish of two mortgages on parsonage, \$300 each, and parish, 100—Total, \$880.17.

Since my last report, although it is not given me to speak of conversions and additions to our communion—a subject so grateful always to a servant of Christ—nevertheless I trust there is progress, and changes attending it that afford pleasing assurances of future blessings.

So hopeful have been the appearances of the parish to the eye of two of its more wealthy friends, that they have voluntarily relieved it of the last depressing incumbrances that discouraged us, namely, two mortgages on the parsonage, amounting to \$700, the parish paying \$100.

The Sunday School has increased in numbers and efficiency. The

children raised for missions at Christmas the sum of \$26, \$20 of which were sent to Africa to educate a youth there. The older scholars realized, for fancy work at the Christmas festival, \$17, which were applied to increase the Library. The missionary spirit is slowly developing. Amidst many and peculiar trials and discouragements, not altogether, as I trust, insurmountable, I am strongly impressed with a conviction that the ensuing Diocesan year will bring us some rich spiritual blessings, which may God of his infinite mercy grant, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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*Newton Falls, St. Mark's..... Vacant.*

Communicants—present number, 7; (of whom three are reported from Warren, residing at Newton Falls.)

Contributions—Diocesan Missions, \$3.50; Widows' and Orphans' Society, 3.41; Bishop's salary, 5—Total, \$11.91.

I visited this parish in December and since that period have (with one exception) preached here once in four weeks. The attendance is very good and much interest seems to be taken in our services, especially by the young. The Holy Communion was administered once by Rev. J. E. Ryan of Warren, who for that purpose kindly exchanged with me. It is expected that an arrangement will be soon made by which this parish may be supplied with ministerial services from some point nearer than one hundred and forty miles.

CHAS. W. FEARNS, *Missionary in charge.*

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*Norwalk, St. Paul's..... Rev. Geo. Watson.*

Baptisms—infant, 5; confirmations, 5; communicants—last reported, 64; added—new, 5; by transfer, 9; died, 1; removed, 7; suspended, 1; present number, 69; marriages, 5; burials, 11.

Communion offerings, \$55.75.

Sunday School—pupils, 35; teachers, 7; catechised by pastor twelve times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$32; Contingent fund, 12; Missions—Foreign, 27; Domestic, 28; Diocesan, 42; Widows' and Orphans' Society, 8.

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*Oberlin, Christ..... Rev. Francis Granger.*

Baptisms—infant, 13; communicants—last reported, 14; added by transfer, 3; died, 1; present number, 16; burials, 1.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$5; Contingent fund, 3.

Owing to the pressure of other duties and the want of a suitable place for worship, the services of the church have been but occasionally conducted in Oberlin during the year.

Since my last report, with the exception of glazing, we have enclosed our proposed church, built of brick, (after a very excellent design furnished by the late Mr. Frank Wills of New York city,) at an expense of \$3,300. For this we owe about \$800, although we have out-

standing subscriptions long since due, more than sufficient to meet all our obligations. While many of the subscriptions for this church have been made and met with great liberality and promptness by the churchmen of Ohio, we are sorry to be obliged to report that between \$400 and \$500 pledged to us by various clergymen and laymen in this Diocese remains still unpaid. The consequence is, that very little is doing for the completion of the church, because we cannot consent to incur any new obligations until our former ones are discharged.

There is now a very favorable feeling towards the church in this community, and we are losing precious opportunities for at once firmly establishing ourselves here, for the want of means to carry on our work. We trust, therefore, that those who have kindly promised us aid, and particularly our brethren in Ohio, will do all they can to relieve us immediately of our present embarrassments, and so aid in more firmly establishing here a pure branch of the church of Christ.

*Painesville, St. James'*.....*Rev. Alanson Phelps.*

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; adult, 3 ; confirmations, 3 ; communicants—last reported, 67 ; added—new, 7 ; by transfer, 3 ; died, 3 ; removed, 4 ; dropped, 3 ; present number, 68 ; marriages, 6 ; burials, 7.

Communion offerings, \$41.

Sunday School—pupils, 47 ; teachers, 6 ; catechised by pastor 12 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$15 ; Contingent fund, 9 ; Missions—Foreign, 8 ; Domestic, 8 ; Diocesan, 14 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, 10 ; for parish expenses, aside from Rector's salary, 200 ; for other objects, viz., female education, Bible Society, &c., &c., \$34.

*Penfield, Christ*.....*Vacant.*

Communicants—last reported, 11 ; died, 2 ; present number, 9 ; burials, 1.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$4 ; Contingent fund, 1.

The parish vacant, but expected to be supplied with occasional services by the Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Elyria.

*BERI ANDREWS, Senior Warden.*

*Peninsula, Bethel*.....*Rev. Humphrey Holbrook.*

Baptisms—infant, 2 ; communicants—last reported, 8 ; removed, 1 ; present number, 7 ; burials, 6.

Communion offerings, \$1.56.

Sunday School—pupils, 25 ; teachers, 3.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$6 ; Contingent fund, 2 ; Diocesan Missions, 3 ; for postage on Parish Visitor, 1.10—Total, \$12.10.

*Perry, St. Matthew's*.....*Rev. J. H. C. Bonte.*

[See his report, post.]

Baptisms—infant, 4 ; confirmations, 4 ; communicants—last re-

ported, 70 ; added—new, 3 ; by transfer, 4 ; died, 2 ; removed, 4 ; present number, 71 ; marriages, 5 ; burials, 12 ; (of congregation, 5).

Communion offerings, \$30.01.

Sunday School—pupils, 90 ; teachers, 19 ; catechised by pastor 3 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$60 ; Contingent fund, 18 ; Missions—Foreign, 15 ; Diocesan, 40 ; Education, 27.47 ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, 12 ; Rosse Chapel organ, 5 ; Bible Society, 33.50 ; church improvement and other parochial purposes, 445—Total, \$657.97.

This parish, though not strong in numbers, is in a healthy state. Most of that which has been done for improvements within the parish has been done through the agency of the ladies.

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*Pomeroy, Grace* ..... *Vacant.*

[No report.]

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*Portsmouth, All Saints'* ..... *Rev. Erastus Burr.*

Baptisms—infant, 23 ; adult, 5 ; confirmations, 16 ; communicants—last reported, 172 ; added—new, 18 ; by transfer, 4 ; died, 5 ; removed, 4 ; present number, 185 ; marriages, 10 ; burials, 18.

Communion offerings, \$120.54.

Sunday School—pupils, 140 ; teachers, 22 ; catechised by pastor 25 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$80 ; Contingent fund, 18 ; Missions—Foreign, 50.72 ; Domestic, 71 ; Diocesan, 111 ; Education, 1104.95 (\$1000 contributed by an individual of the parish) ; Widows' and Orphans' Society, 20 ; American Bible Society, 57.30 ; Western Seaman's Friend Society, 31 ; Western Church Extension Society, 220 ; other objects (not parochial), 60 ; Female Education, 10.

Our congregation having increased to such an extent as to require further accommodations, a second church edifice is about being erected, the main cost of which will be defrayed by the liberality of an individual member of the parish, to whom much praise is due for his generous proposition on this behalf. It is already under contract, to be completed entire in about one year from the present time. Our congregation will then divide, and a new parish be organized, which, we trust, with God's blessing, will soon double our present strength and means of usefulness in building up the Redeemer's kingdom.

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*Rome, St. Peter's* ..... *Rev. John Hall.*

[See report of Rev. John Hall, post.]

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*Sandusky, Grace* ..... *Rev. S. A. Bronson, D.D.*

Baptisms—infant, 25 ; adult, 1 ; confirmations, 5 ; communicants—last reported, 104 ; added—new, 4 ; by transfer, 4 ; died, 3 ; removed, 2 ; present number, 107 ; marriages, 13 ; burials, 12.

Communion offerings, \$123.

Sunday School—pupils, 125 ; teachers, 13.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$75 ; Contingent fund, 16.50 ; Diocesan Missions, 52.22 ; Education, 50.

A subscription, begun last year, has been raised to \$8000 this year, for the completion of our church edifice. The work is in progress, and, when done, will be paid for.

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*Springfield, Christ.....Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D.*

Baptisms—infant, 7 ; communicants—last reported, 63 ; added—by transfer, 2 ; removed, 2 ; dropped, 1 ; present number, 60 ; burials, 4.

Communion offerings, \$65.75.

Sunday School—pupils, 20 ; teachers, 5 ; catechised by pastor 6 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$20 ; Contingent fund, 7.50 ; Missions—Foreign, 27 ; Diocesan, 30 ; distribution of Church tracts, 20.50 ; other objects of benevolence, \$10.

The Rector regrets that no new communicants have been added, but hopes for some additions at the approaching confirmation, and offers, as one reason for no new additions, that there are only about twelve or fifteen of the *regular adult* attendants of his little flock who are not already communicants. The exterior of the church edifice has been repaired during the past year, and the congregation has gradually increased ; and he takes the liberty of adding that he knows of no congregation, in or out of the Diocese, which pays, out of its *comparatively limited ability*, so large a salary to its Rector. The assistant minister, too, has regularly aided in the services of the church, and preached occasionally, besides visiting neighboring parishes when so requested.

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*St. Clairsville, St. Thomas'.....Vacant.*

I visited this old parish twice this spring, and found a large number of persons who expressed a warm interest in our church, and a willingness to do what they can for its support. Should a minister be sent to them who would go in and out among the people, and faithfully preach the Gospel, I have no doubt that a large number could be gathered into the church who are now wandering about, seeking rest and finding none. Is it too much to ask of the churchmen of Ohio to make the attempt, at least, to resuscitate this old parish ?

Contributed—for Diocesan Missions, \$10, by Miss M. Carter.

CHAS. W. FEARNS, *Missionary.*

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*Steubenville, St. Paul's.....Rev. Intrepid Morse.*

Baptisms—infant, 25 ; confirmations, 4 ; communicants—last reported, 146 ; added—new, 6 ; by transfer, 3 ; died, 3 ; removed, 10 ; present number, 142 ; marriages, 7 ; burials, 20.

Communion offerings, \$83.84.

Sunday School—pupils, 80; teachers, 10; catechised by pastor 26 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$50; Contingent fund, 18; Missions—Foreign, 40; Domestic, 25; Diocesan, 86.47; Education, 108.50; Widows' and Orphans' Society, 5.

Mr. Morse has performed service several times in St. James' Church, Cross Creek, and administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper once in that parish, the minister in charge being in deacon's orders only.

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*Strongsville, St. Philip's.....Rev. John Hochuly.*

Confirmations, 1; communicants—last reported, 20; added—new, 1; by transfer, 7; died, 1; removed, 1; present number, 27; marriages, 1; burials, 1.

Communion offerings, \$8.02.

Sunday School—pupils, 15; teachers, 3; catechised by pastor 23 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$2; Contingent fund, 1.50; Missions—Domestic, 1.25; Diocesan, 3.86; Tracts, 1.

During the past year a large and elegant Bible was procured for six dollars, a contribution of the ladies. The Bible was procured at that reduced price through the kindness and interest of the Rev. Dr. Claxton. The church was also favored with a present of a large Prayer Book for the reading desk by the Rev. E. H. Cumming. The contributions of the parish may, indeed, appear small, but, owing to the severity of last summer's drouth, many of our families (farmers) have been necessitated to purchase their own provisions and fodder for their stock; yet, under these discouragements, their zeal and love for the ministration of the Word and sacraments constrained them to undergo the additional sacrifice.

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*Tiffin, Trinity.....Rev. Wm. H. Cooper.*

Baptisms—infant, 1; adult, 1; confirmations, 8; communicants—last reported, 11; added—new, 7; by transfer, 6; removed, 5; suspended, 1; present number, 18, (two more will soon be added); burials, 2.

Communion offerings, \$58.95.

Sunday School—pupils, average attendance, 49; teachers, 12; catechised by pastor and addressed weekly.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$3; Contingent fund, 3; Missions—Foreign, 3; Domestic, 3; Diocesan, 5.21; Sunday School 10; Church building fund, 1848.91; towards church lot, 666; fence, 40; carpeting church, 75; other purposes, 4.83—Total \$2661.95.

It will be seen that this parish, now only in the second year of its existence, has not been idle. The erection of our church, and the unintermittent maintenance of Divine worship has called for a large measure of self-sacrifice on the part of the few professedly of our communion in

this city, although we are indebted to many not avowedly connected with us, as a church, for valuable assistance also. The edifice, commenced in September, was fully completed and opened for Divine service on the 1st of February, and the undersigned is happy to report that the prospects of the parish are decidedly favorable. The attendance on Divine service is good, and steadily increasing. There are ninety-six names on the roll of the Sunday School, although the attendance is irregular, some being connected with other schools. The great majority of the pews are rented, and it is confidently expected the balance will be taken up, or nearly, by the close of the year. The heavy demands for the church building, erected with very little outside assistance, will, we trust, apologize for the smallness of our contributions toward other objects.

In addition to his labors in the parish, the Rector has carried on a series of fortnightly Sunday services at Hopewell Centre School House, some four and a half miles distant, where a numerous congregation attend upon his ministrations. At Melmore, a village eight miles from Tiffin, he has also officiated lately, and will continue to do so (D. V.) as time and strength may allow. Thus will the church, it is hoped, in due time, come to be known more extensively among the inhabitants of this vicinity, and good be done also. If we sow in faith, we may expect to reap the blessing.

I have organized a Bible Class, which meets on Wednesday evenings, and is well attended. The proceedings partake, however, more of the character of a familiar or conversational lecture than a Bible Class, popularly so called. Much interest is manifested, and I look to this instrumentality as a means, through God's help, of effecting great good.

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*Toledo, Trinity.....Rev. H. B. Walbridge.*

Baptisms—infant, 16; adult, 4; confirmations, 16; communicants—last reported, 100; added—new, 15; by transfer, 9; died, 2; removed, 4; present number, 118; marriages, 8; burials, 11.

Communion offerings, (appropriated to Orphans' Home) \$140.29.

Sunday School—pupils, 96; teachers, 17.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$55; Contingent fund, 15; Foreign Missions, 26; Domestic Missions, 23; Diocesan Education, 44; Parish Home for Widows and Orphans, 726.33; enlargement of Church edifice, about 1600; Organ, 650; Sunday School—Books, &c., 25.50.

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*Troy, Trinity.....Rev. William Withington.*

Baptisms—infant, 1; communicants—last reported, 29; removed, 4; present number, 25.

Communion offerings, \$7.

Sunday School—pupils, 40; teachers, 9; catechised by pastor 3 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$10 ; Contingent fund, 3 ; Diocesan Missions, 6.12.

I have been officiating here the last eleven weeks, in accordance with an engagement to continue till meeting of Convention. The people speak discouragingly of the present prospects of the church, as compared with its former state—a change chiefly attributable to emigration westward, and frequent change of ministers.

*Unionville, St. Michael's.....Rev. John Hall.*  
[No Report.]

*Urbana, Epiphany.....Rev. James L. Grover.*

Baptisms—infant, 1 ; adult, 1 ; confirmations, 3 ; communicants—last reported, 28 ; added—new, 4 ; by transfer, 2 ; removed, 1 ; present number, 34 ; marriages, 3.

Communion offerings, \$15.

Sunday School—pupils, 25 ; teachers, 4 ; catechised by pastor 4 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$8 ; Contingent fund, \$3.

*Wakeman, St. John's.....Vacant.*  
[No Report.]

*Walnut Hills, Advent.....Vacant.*

The Wardens of the Church of the Advent, Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, report to the Bishop that the services of the church have been mainly suspended during the past year, and that the Parish is almost extinct.

The effort to plant the Church at Walnut Hills, was commenced under auspicious circumstances, and will be again renewed when the prospect of a successful result is more cheering than at present.

S. WILLYS POMEROY, *Senior Warden.*

*Warren, Christ.....Rev. J. E. Ryan.*

Baptisms—infant, 9 ; adult, 2 ; confirmations, 10 ; communicants—last reported, 31 ; added—new, 11 ; by transfer, 3 ; removed, 1 ; present number, 44 ; marriages, 4 ; burials, 1.

Communion offerings, \$13.

Sunday School—pupils, 40 ; teachers, 6 ; catechised by pastor monthly.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$12 ; Contingent fund, 4.50 ; Missions—Diocesan, 14.22 ; for Sunday School, 5.40 ; Church purposes, 60 ; for incidentals, 115 ; prayer books, 7.20.

I am happy in being able to state that the parish has never been blessed with such *visible manifestations* of the Holy Spirit's presence as it has been during the past Winter and Spring.

The prayer of our heart is, "O Lord, pour upon us the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, for the honor of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ."

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| <i>Windsor, Christ</i> .....     | <i>Vacant.</i> |
| <i>Wooster, St. James'</i> ..... | <i>Vacant.</i> |
| [No Reports.]                    |                |

*Worthington, St. John's*..... *Rev. H. F. Roberts.*

Baptisms—infant, 12; adult, 3; confirmations, 10; communicants—last reported, 61; added—new, 13; by transfer, 2; died, 1; removed, 4; present number, 69; marriages, 6; burials, 6.

Communion offerings, \$25.07.

Sunday School—pupils, 57; teachers, 10.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$10; Contingent fund, 4.50; Missions—Foreign, 22; Domestic, 5; Diocesan, 20; Widows' and Orphans' Society, 7.71; for parish purposes, 77—Total, \$171.28.

Of the offerings for widows and orphans, \$4.14 were from the Bible Class. For parish purposes, \$25 were contributed by the Ladies' Aid Society. For foreign missions, \$17 were contributed by the Sunday School.

*Zanesville, St. James'*..... *Rev. Thos. G. Addison.*

Baptisms—infant, 14; adult, 3; confirmations, 4; communicants—last reported, 158; added—new, 7; by transfer, 2; died, 6; removed, 15; present number, 141; marriages, 2; burials, 10.

Communion offerings, \$125.35.

Sunday School—pupils, 233; teachers, 23; catechised by pastor 12 times.

Contributed—for Episcopate, \$100; Contingent fund, 21; Missions—Diocesan, 108.34; Education, 31.54; for Sunday School, 51.12; Colonization, 8.79; Church improvements, 685.32; Central Association, 20.96.

The present Rector of this parish took charge of it on the 2d of May. The above is a report of the labors of his two predecessors during the past conventional year. Of the sum contributed for missions, \$59.05 were by the Sunday School of the parish.

*Rev. Norman Badger*—

Reports that his time has been chiefly devoted to his school, and the conducting of the *Western Episcopalian*. He has preached several times, and married three couple.

*Rev. John H. C. Bonte*—

Was ordained Deacon in July last, for missionary service in the vicinity of Gambier during his senior year in the Seminary. Since

that time he has had charge of St. Matthew's, Perry, the Chapel at Newcastle, and St. Mark's, Mill Creek.

At Mill Creek—services from July to December, once a month; from December to March, entirely omitted on account of weather. From March to June, twice a month. Mr. B. has attended to all the services except two. Rev. Mr. Blake and Rev. Mr. Schenck kindly consented to take one Sunday each. Mill Creek has not had regular services for four or five years. There is now prepared a class of three for confirmation.

At Perry, one service every two weeks the year through. The same at Newcastle. Mr. B. has been relieved of three services at Perry and Newcastle by Rev. Mr. Blake. Rev. Mr. Schenck, at Mr. B.'s request, preached once at each place, and Rev. Mr. Farns once. At Perry is a class of three now desiring confirmation.

Baptized 7 infants and 1 adult. One marriage. Preached four times in St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon—seven times in Rosse Chapel, Gambier, and in same parish read service at weekly services during Lent.

*Rev. J. A. Bowman.—*

[No Report.]

*Rev. J. A. Brayton—*

Respectfully reports, that during the past year he has continued in the charge of his school for domestic Education, having also conducted the public worship a few times in St. James' Church, Painesville, at the request of the Rector.

*Rev. John L. Bryan.—*

Report of missionary labor the past year.—Left home June 19th, 1856, and on Sunday, June 22d, preached at St. James', Cross Creek, Jefferson county, Ohio, morning and afternoon. On Sunday, 29th June, went over the Ohio River and preached at St. John's, Brooke county, Va., in the morning. On Sunday, July 6th, preached at St. James', Cross Creek, in the morning, to a large and devout congregation, and administered the Lord's Supper to a goodly number of disciples, who evidently enjoyed it as a feast of the Lord, whose banner over them was love. On Sunday, July 13th, visited East Liverpool, Columbiana county, Ohio, and preached morning and afternoon. The congregations were not large, as the parish had been destitute of a minister for some time previous to this visit. Sunday, July 20th, I spent with my Rev. and venerable brother, Mr. Morse, at Steubenville, preaching morning and afternoon to very attentive congregations. I also lectured several times in the church at night on Wednesdays. Sunday, August 10th, was spent at East Springfield, Jefferson county, where I providentially met Rev. Mr. Gray, from Cincinnati, who preached in the morning, and I in the afternoon. On Sunday, August 17th, preached at St. John's, Brooke county, Va., in

the morning. Sunday, August 24th, preached morning and afternoon at St. Clairsville, Belmont county, Ohio. This parish had long been vacant, and the few faithful members left were mourning over the desolations of their beloved Zion. Sunday, August 31st, I again preached at St. John's, Va., in the morning, and administered the Lord's Supper, and at the close took my leave of this very interesting and attentive people, whose kindness I shall long remember. Before closing, I would mention among my recorded services, that the last two Sundays of September were spent in my old Parishes in Virginia and Maryland, preaching in the morning at one, and delivering an address at the funeral of an aged friend at the other. In this journey eight hundred and thirty miles were traveled by rail road.

It is perhaps due to myself to say, that I have preached several times in St. Luke's Church, Granville, and also assisted frequently in the services on Communion occasions. I have also married one couple in St. Luke's Church. At the close of this Convention, I shall offer my services to the Diocesan Missionary Committee to go where in their judgment there would be the most need of my efforts to advance the cause and kingdom of Christ our Lord.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

*Rev. George S. Davis—*

Would report that he has, for the past year, had charge of Trinity Church, Lyme, and has labored at Monroeville; that at Easter he accepted the pastoral care of St. Paul's Church, Medina.

*Rev. Richard Gray.—*

I have been fully engaged in my duties as City Missionary, in connection with Christ Church, Cincinnati, since the last Convention. The intense sufferings of the poor of our city throughout the past winter, owing to the scarcity of fuel, produced great sympathy among persons in more prosperous circumstances. I have distributed upwards of thirteen hundred dollars, nearly the whole of which has been put in my hands without solicitation. I have attended to two thousand two hundred and three cases, to whose necessities, both spiritual and temporal, I have administered as far as it was in my power. I have endeavored to prevail on the poor to attend church, but have found considerable hindrance in not having them immediately under my eye. At the Rev. Dr. Butler's suggestion, I have, therefore, commenced services at Trinity Church, hoping to induce a portion of this class to attend. So far I have been encouraged in my efforts. Besides preaching as often as my strength would allow, I have baptized 44 infants and 3 adults, solemnized 6 marriages, officiated at 21 funerals, and churched a number of women. The above are entered in the registers of Christ and Trinity Churches in Cincinnati, or where the rites were performed.

*Rev. John Hall.—*

Would inform the Bishop that he has been for the last three months confined to his house by sickness, and is not able now to make any report of his labors for the past year.

*Rev. Henry T. Hester.—*

Reports that, having had, for the last year, no parochial charge, his sphere of usefulness has been necessarily limited. He has, however, embraced every opportunity which offered to perform the services of the Church and preach the Gospel.

*Rev. E. B. Kellogg.—*

I continued in charge of St. Luke's, Granville, until October 16th, 1856. Since then I have officiated as often as convenient opportunity has been given, baptizing one infant, administering the Communion twice, and preaching, in all, thirty-six times.

*Rev. Edward Kennedy.—*

Reports that, since the last Annual Diocesan Convention, and up to Easter Monday, he has continued to officiate as Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina. His resignation of that parish, made in August last, took effect in April, and Rev. G. S. Davis, according to understanding, resumed his old post. Recently, he further reports, he has performed some missionary service at the parish of Euclid, Cuyahoga county.

*Rev. Charles F. Lewis.—*

[No Report.]

*Rev. B. K. Mallby.—*

My position and labors, in connection with the ministry, during the year now closing, present little that is gratifying to be embodied in the form of a report. I commenced the year with strong hopes that, before its close, I might be able to accept some position of efficient ministerial service. I have effected much in the way of removing the interposing financial hindrances, but not in season, nor to an extent admitting of full devotion to pastoral work. I can, therefore, only report that kind of clerical service which consists in preaching only. I have been able to supply some occasional vacancies and aid brethren, when I have spent Sabbaths in traveling, and have preached occasionally in some of the churches in this city, but not in connection with any charge of my own.

I trust, during the coming year, to be able to enter fully upon parochial duties. To this end I am directing all my energies, and am pleased to see so encouraging a prospect before me of speedy success. My devotion to temporal pursuits has not, I trust, abated my love for the high calling at which I aim. My hindrances have proved greater

than I had hoped when I received ministerial orders, and I have met them in the way I have, not from a love of business life, but from necessity, and as a severe trial to my patience and Christian assurance, and in the exercise of much prayer and reliance upon God for aid and direction.

*Rev. J. J. McElhinney.—*

*Rev. Joseph Muenscher, D.D.—*

*Rev. Peter Neff, Jr.—*

*Rev. G. B. Perry, D.D.—*

*Rev. Alvah Sanford.—*

[No Reports.]

*Rev. Thomas M. Smith, D.D.—*

Reports to the Bishop that he has been occupied during the year in the discharge of his duties in the Theological Seminary. In the absence of any opportunity to perform missionary labor, he has conducted a Bible Class on Sunday afternoons in the College; has preached several times in Rosse Chapel; has occasionally assisted the Rector in the services of the church; and has baptized one infant. He has also preached in Trinity Church, Boston, and in St. Luke's, Portland.

*Rev. E. A. Strong.—*

In addition to the reports made by the Treasurer and Secretary of the committee on Education, the Agent desires simply to record his grateful acknowledgments for such a degree of interest in our work manifested by very many individuals, both in and out of the Diocese, and for such hospitality and kindness received personally, as he has not words to express. He has traveled to see and to assist young men from Illinois to New York; and though acting a part of the time in behalf of our Institution at Gambier, it has all been with the single object of advancing the great work of raising up faithful and efficient men to preach the Gospel of Christ to a dying world. When not engaged on the Lord's Day in presenting this cause, he has supplied, as opportunity presented, vacant parishes and vacant pulpits in this and other dioceses. It is with joy that he refers to the cheering fact, that not less than forty-six young men, communicants of the church, have this year been preparing at Kenyon for the ministry. More than three-fourths of these have been more or less assisted, directly through our instrumentality, and in regard to nearly every one, we have a good hope that they are truly called of God, and thus worthy of our confidence, and of all needed aid and encouragement in their efforts to prepare themselves thoroughly for that blessed work.

*Rev. Spencer Hall.*—

*Rev. Abraham Wheeler.*—

*Rev. M. T. C. Wing.*—

[No Reports.]

*Rev. Edward Winthrop*—

Reports to the Bishop that during the past conventional year he has taught a family and day school for young ladies, at his residence in Norwalk—has solemnized one marriage, and has assisted the Rev. George Watson, D.D., in the administration of the Holy Communion.

*Bexley Hall Missionary Society.*—

The object of the Society is twofold—to correspond with and further interest in the institutions on behalf of missionary enterprise abroad, and further to spread the Gospel in the immediate neighborhood by the personal exertions of the students.

The Society has now eight preaching stations, four of which are supplied weekly—four every two weeks—the number of people thus reached being about one thousand, in addition to which there are now seven Sunday School stations, with an attendance of three hundred scholars, among whom the Society circulates nine hundred and seventy-five volumes of Sunday School books.

The various Sunday School stations are sustained by students of the Seminary, College and Grammar School—the preaching stations by students of the Theological Seminary. At the request of those in charge, the Rev. Mr. Schenck has occasionally preached at the several stations.

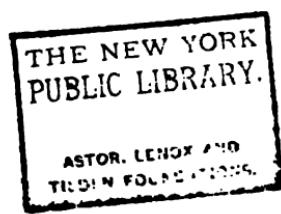
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### CONSTITUTION.

#### ARTICLE I.

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to and adopts the constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

#### ARTICLE II.

There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the first Wednesday after the 20th of September in each year, unless otherwise ordered by a previous Convention. But in case an epidemic disease shall prevail at the place appointed, or other like cause shall render it obviously expedient, the Bishop, or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the Standing Committee shall appoint some other place, and send special notice of the same to every minister and vestry in the Diocese, at least three weeks before the time of meeting. The Bishop, with such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall at any time be duly assembled in Convention, shall constitute a quorum, provided, that in a case of vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the absence of the Bishop, such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall duly assemble, constitute a quorum, but in the latter case only so far as to adjourn to the next day, when, if the absence of the Bishop continue, the business of the Convention shall proceed.

#### ARTICLE III.

Any parish may be suspended from the right of representation in the Convention, or its connection with the Diocese wholly dissolved, by a vote of two-thirds of each Order, whenever the same shall be deemed conducive to the interests of the Church.

#### ARTICLE IV.

The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen. The Bishop, and every Minister of this Diocese canonically in charge of a congregation in union with this Convention—or employed as a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese—or regularly engaged as an instructor in any incorporated seminary of learning, shall be members of this Convention, provided that they can show that they have been at least six months in the Diocese as above required; provided also, that no clergyman who has been a member of this Convention shall lose his seat therein, by reason of age or of bodily infirmities disqualifying him for his previous position. Each regularly organized church or congregation in canonical union with this Church, shall send to the Convention one or more lay-delegates, not exceeding three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united under one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. When a vote by Orders is called for, the delegates of each congregation or church, shall be entitled to one vote only. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention.

#### ARTICLE V.

The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may judge it important to the good of the Church, or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the continued absence of the Bishop from the Diocese for six months, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention, and shall do so, if applied to for the purpose by any five Presbyters or Vestries of the Diocese.

#### ARTICLE VI.

- The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, and shall open, or cause it to be opened with prayer. If there be no Bishop present, the Convention shall be called to order by the Secretary, and shall elect a President from among the Presbyters.

**ARTICLE VII.**

At every Annual Convention, after a *viva voce* nomination, a Secretary shall be chosen, who shall remain in office until the next Annual Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes, and record all proceedings of the Convention; to attest its public acts; preserve its records; notify the parishes of the times and places of all stated and special Conventions, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

**ARTICLE VIII.**

Officers of the Convention, Delegates to the General Convention, and members of the Standing Committee, shall be elected by joint ballot of the clergy and laity, and a majority of votes shall be required for an election. In case of a failure or omission to elect any officers or annual Committee, the persons last elected shall continue to serve until others be chosen. Elections by ballot may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention.

**ARTICLE IX.**

The Standing Committee shall be chosen at each Annual Convention, and shall consist of three Clergymen who are Presbyters, and of three Laymen who are communicants in some church in the Diocese. The officers of said Committee required by the IV<sup>th</sup> Canon of the General Convention, shall be appointed at their first meeting. Any three of the Committee, the whole being summoned, provided one be a Presbyter, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business when convened at the request of the Bishop. At all other meetings a majority of the members shall be necessary to a quorum. It shall be the duty of the secretary of this committee to keep a faithful record of all the proceedings in a book provided for that purpose, to preserve the originals of all papers or letters addressed to the committee, to attest their acts, and to deliver to his successor all books and papers which in virtue of his office have been committed to him. The minutes of the committee, and all papers in their hands relative to the Church, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention. Vacancies occurring in the committee shall be supplied by vote of the remaining members.

**ARTICLE X.**

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an Annual Convention—or in a Special Convention called for that purpose at least sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the secretary of the Standing Committee to every clergyman and vestry of the Diocese. The election shall be conducted as follows: The clergy shall vote by ballot for some suitable person for the office of Bishop, and a majority of the clergy present shall determine the choice. A nomination thus made shall be communicated to the lay-members, who shall proceed to vote by ballot whether to receive or reject it, a majority of whom shall be necessary to confirm the election.

**ARTICLE XI.**

The clergy and lay-delegates in Convention shall deliberate in one body, and shall vote as such on all questions not otherwise provided for; except when a vote by Orders is called for by five members. In such case the concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to give validity to a measure—and on every question the votes of a majority of those present, or, if required by five, the votes of a majority of those present of the two Orders, respectively, shall decide.

**ARTICLE XII.**

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A proposition for amendment shall be laid before the Convention in writing, and if approved, shall lie over till the next Annual Convention, and if then approved by two-thirds of the two Orders voting separately, the change shall take place, and the Constitution thus altered shall be obligatory.

**CANONS.****CANON I.**

*OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN NOT BEING A BISHOP.*

**SECT. 1.** Whenever any Presbyter or Deacon of the Diocese shall be thought to be guilty of any misconduct for which, according to Canon XXXVII of the

General Convention, he is liable to be tried, application shall be made in writing with the name of every one engaged in the application subscribed, to the Standing Committee, and if it appear to them that the evidence is sufficient to demand a trial, they shall forthwith present the clergyman to the Bishop, accordingly; the presentment being made in writing, and specifying with as much accuracy as possible, the offence or offences, with particulars of time, place and circumstances; and every clergyman of this Diocese may for himself request of the Standing Committee the inquiry provided for in this section, in which case it shall be instituted and shall proceed according to the provisions of this Canon.

SECT. 2. Presentment being made, the Bishop shall cause a copy of the presentment to be served on the accused, and shall also nominate eight Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, provided that no member of the Standing Committee who may have joined in the presentment be included in such nomination. Out of the Presbyters so nominated, the accused shall select five, and notify their names in writing, to the Bishop, within thirty days after the serving aforesaid. And if he does not give such notification within said time, the Bishop shall select five, and the Presbyters so selected, shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time and from place to place (but always within the Diocese), as they shall think necessary.

SECT. 3. A written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Board shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused; and also on the Standing Committee, who by their President, or one of their number whom they may appoint for the purpose, shall prosecute the case and present such oral or documentary evidence to substantiate the accusation as they may be able to obtain.

SECT. 4. If at the time of the first meeting of the Board, the whole number be not present, then those present may adjourn from time to time; and if it shall appear improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, those who do attend, being not fewer than three, shall proceed to trial, and a majority shall decide all questions and render judgment.

SECT. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall, before the appointment of a Board for his trial, confess the truth of the facts of which he is accused, the Bishop may immediately proceed to pass sentence; if he shall not thus confess, he shall be considered as pleading *not guilty*.

SECT. 6. In case a clergyman, presented and notified as above directed, shall not appear before the Board appointed for his trial, the Board may proceed as if he were present, unless they shall see fit to adjourn till another day. And if the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear before the Board, after due presentment and notification, and no sufficient reason for such neglect or refusal be given, the Board shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, and sentence of suspension from the ministry shall pass against him accordingly; but the sentence may be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months the accused shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and receive his trial; but if he shall not so tender himself, the Bishop, in view of the acts alleged in the presentment, shall proceed, if he think proper, to pass sentence of degradation from the ministry.

SECT. 7. At their first meeting the Board shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary who shall be from their own number or otherwise, as they determine, and before proceeding to trial they shall adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party in the trial—though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

SECT. 8. When the Board proceed to trial, they shall hear such evidence as may be produced—which evidence shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses; and the examination of witnesses, and all the proceedings of the trial, shall be in public, if desired by the accused.

SECT. 9. Application being made to the Bishop by either party, setting forth, satisfactorily, that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint some clergyman or layman to act as a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness: and the party applying as above shall give to the other party at least five days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional days' notice, exclusive of Sunday, shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the

Board, and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such commissioner may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

**SECT. 10.** The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively; which decision, together with the evidence and an attested record of all the proceedings, shall be delivered to the Bishop, accompanied with an opinion of the Board as to what sentence should be pronounced; whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same do not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop, if satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused; in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, including none of those who sat upon the former trial, before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

**SECT. 11.** If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his judgment on the decision of the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in passing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the Diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

#### CANON II.

##### OF THE VESTRY OF A CHURCH.

**SECT. 1.** In every church of this Diocese, after prayer, there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, and not more than ten members, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. Two of these vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens; one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish, who, in the absence of the Rector, shall preside at meetings of the Vestry. In his absence the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings, attest the public acts of the Vestry, preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish, perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents belonging to the Parish that may be in his possession.

**SECT. 2.** In electing a Vestry, no person shall be entitled to vote who has not signed the Articles of Parochial Association, and who is not a holder or renter of one entire pew; and when two or more persons shall hold or rent a pew, they shall be entitled jointly to one vote; nor shall any person vote in a parish of which he is not a bona fide member. In those parishes in which there are no pews held or rented, or where pews are held subject to no tax or assessment, no individual shall be entitled to vote who is not a contributor to the church to such an amount as the respective parishes shall appoint: Provided, that every male communicant of the parish who shall have been such for six months next preceding the election, shall be entitled to vote.

**SECT. 3.** No person shall be elected a Vestryman who is not a pewholder, or a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected, and a bona fide member thereof.

**SECT. 4.** It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a minister and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of divine worship, and, in general, to act as helpers to the minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the gospel; it being understood, always, that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese. It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper—to collect the alms at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the Church is destitute of a minister—and while the Church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation, by occasional clerical services or by lay-reading, as the circumstances may permit. Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden; and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden, shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry. And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure.

(Parishes now incorporated are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their Articles of Association or By-laws.)

#### CANON III.

##### OF THE ADMISSION OF A CHURCH OR CONGREGATION INTO UNION WITH THE CHURCH IN THIS DIOCESE.

To enable a Church or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention

their Articles of Association ; or, if incorporated, their Charter, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated, according to law ; and further that it be made to appear that such Church or Congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop—or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from a majority of the Standing Committee—that notice was given him or them, at least one month before the Convention of the organization having taken place.

CANON IV.  
OF REVDICT PARISHES.

Whenever a Parish shall so far fail in the leading objects of its organization, as to be in the opinion of the Bishop essentially defunct, he shall signify the same to the Convention, which may proceed forthwith, by a vote of two-thirds, to dissolve the said Parish, agreeably to Article III of the Constitution.

## CANON V.

#### OF ATTENDANCE ON CONVENTION, AND REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ADMISSION OF LAY-DEPUTIES.

It shall be the duty of all clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every church or congregation in union with the Church in this Diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the communicants of the church or congregation to be represented, and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the Wardens, in substance as follows:—

This is to certify that at a regular meeting of the Vestry of Church,  
held on the day of A. B., who is a communicant of good  
standing in said Church, was appointed a Lay-Delegate to represent the same in  
the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, to be  
holden on the day of in the year of our Lord Signed

(Parishes already incorporated are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their articles of Incorporation or Association.)

## CANON VI.

#### A LINE TO BE MADE OF THE MINIMUM IN THE BIOCHEM-

**SECT. 1.** Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall cause to be prepared a list of the ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures or Parishes or stations as Missionaries; or of the institutions of learning duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in parishes or missions, or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only,—specifying at the same time who of any class are Deacons: but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention, immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. The same shall be appended to the Journal and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

Sect. 2. When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in the Convention is disputed, it shall be determined according to the provisions of the IVth Article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

## CANON VII.

OF PARISH REGISTERS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

**SECT. 1.** Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all the Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, solemnized by him, or in his parish by any other Episcopal Minister; specifying the names and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of the parents and sponsors; the names of the adults baptized, and also of the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of the parties married, and of persons buried; and also the time of each rite respectively. This Register shall be kept by the minister, in a book kept for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry of the Church which he serves: which book shall be called the Parish Register, and shall be considered as a part of the records of the Parish.

**SECT. 2.** In addition to the register above named, the minister of each Parish shall keep a list of the communicants and of families within his cure, specifying the time when the former became communicants of the Church under his charge, and whether by removal from the communion of some other Church or otherwise.

**Sect. 3.** Every minister of this Diocese shall, on or before the day of every annual Convention, present or send to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the condition of the Parish, according to such form as shall be furnished by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

**CANON VIII.****OF VACANT CONGREGATIONS.**

Whenever a parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry immediately to give notice to the Bishop.

**CANON IX.****OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.**

The Convention shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, according to the provisions of the VIIIth Article of the Constitution, four clergymen, out of Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four laymen, who shall be in good standing as communicants in some church in union with the Diocese, to act as deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention; which deputies shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. And it shall be the duty of the deputies elect to signify to the Bishop, on some day at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Standing Committee, on notification from the Bishop, shall proceed to appoint as many clerical or lay deputies as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Diocese; and the person or persons so delegated, being furnished with the certificate of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, shall have all the rights of deputies elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of the deputies elect, above required, shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee.

**CANON X.****OF LAY READERS.**

None shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from the Standing Committee; and Lay Readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of the XIth Canon of the General Convention.

**CANON XI.****OF PREPARING A REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.**

In order to carry into effect the recommendation contained in Canon LI of the General Convention, a committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at a regular meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a report of the state of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

**CANON XII.****OF THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.**

**SECT. 1.** In addition to the duties assigned to the Secretary of the Convention in the VIIth article of the Constitution, it is made his duty to send to the minister, or in case there be no minister, to the wardens of each parish in union with the Convention, not less than four weeks before the next meeting of the Convention, a notification of the time and place of the said meeting, together with the form of a parochial report; and a form by which to certify the appointment of lay deputies, together with the assessment laid upon the parish for the expenses of the Diocese.

**SECT. 2.** He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention of this Diocese, as well as of any charge or pastoral letter recently published, and to the General Convention a certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay deputies.

**CANON XIII.****OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.**

**SECT. 1.** At every stated Convention there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and examined by a committee of the same.

**SECT. 2.** In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by a person chosen by the Standing Committee, who shall continue in office until an election is made by the Convention.

**CANON XIV.****OF MISSIONS AND OF EDUCATION FOR THE MINISTRY.**

**SECT. 1.** The Church of Christ being essentially a missionary institution, and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the mis-

sionary work; and the education of young men for the ministry being absolutely necessary to the futherance of the Gospel in the same work, it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

Sectr. 2. It shall be the duty of every minister of this Diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every member of the Church, to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes, as God hath prospered him, according to the apostolic direction: 1 Cor. xvi. 1.

Sectr. 8. There shall be elected by ballot, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and nine other members—five clerical and four lay—to be called the Missionary Committee; to whom shall be committed the appointment of missionaries and their stations, and the collection and appropriation of funds for missionary objects, and the general care and management of the missionary interests of the Diocese. And also a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and eight other members—four clerical and four lay—to whom shall be committed the appointment and regulation of beneficiaries, the collection and appropriation of funds therefor, and all other business belonging thereto.

Sectr. 4. It shall be the privilege of the contributors to the Missionary or Education cause, to designate the particular object to which their contributions shall be applied. If no such designation be made, the contribution shall be at the disposal of the Committee to which the fund has been contributed.

Sectr. 5. The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of these Committees, when he is present; if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

Sectr. 6. These Committees shall each meet annually, at the place and on the first day of the Annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournments, or on the call of two members; five attending members of the Missionary and four of the Education Committee shall be a quorum, and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

Sectr. 7. No beneficiary or missionary shall be appointed without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the same; which consent shall be entered on the minutes.

Sectr. 8. At every annual meeting of these Committees, the Secretaries of the same shall, respectively, submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated; which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

Sectr. 9. These Committees shall each appoint a Secretary and Treasurer. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention may be supplied by the Committee. No money shall be applied by the Treasurer but by order of the Committee.

Sectr. 10. It shall be the duty of the above named Committees to provide for a public meeting, to be held during the annual session of the Convention of the Diocese, for the purpose of promoting the objects for which they have been constituted.

#### CANON XV.

##### OF THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

SECT. 1. Every minister shall, on or about the first day of September of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

SECT. 2. On or about the first day of April of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector or otherwise, solicit from every householder or pewholder who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

SECT. 3. Out of the sum so received the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of three thousand dollars per annum; the sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

#### CANON XVI.

##### OF LAY DISCIPLINE.

SECT. 1. Any communicant who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the rector, may be suspended from the communion.

SECT. 2. Upon the application of any communicant not under ecclesiastical censure, to the minister of his parish, or in case there be no minister, to the senior, or in his absence to the junior warden, for that purpose, it shall be the duty of such minister or warden to give such applicant a certificate of good standing as a communicant. And no communicant of one parish shall be admitted to record as a communicant in any other, without producing satisfactory testimonials of being a communicant in good standing, to the minister of the parish with which he or she may wish to unite. But in case such minister or warden shall, in consequence of the applicant being under censure, refuse to give such certificate, he shall give to the applicant the reasons for his refusal in writing.

#### CANON XVII.

##### OF CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the con-

tingent expenses of the Church. The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention shall be applied to the following objects:—1. To defray the traveling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the postages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the Diocese by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the Journals of the Convention, and such other documents as may be ordered by the Convention. 5. To pay the traveling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding fifty dollars to each delegate. 6. To pay the traveling expenses of presbyters attending ecclesiastical trials.

#### CANON XVIII.

##### OF ALTERATIONS IN THE CANONS AND ADDITIONS THERETO

No proposition to alter or add to the Canons of the Diocese shall be considered by the Convention, except at a stated meeting, and after one day's notice thereof, given in open Convention; nor (unless by unanimous consent) until it shall have been reported on by a committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case the same (unless negatived by a majority of the votes), shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

#### CANON XIX. OF FORMER CANONS.

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

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### FORM FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

We whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together under the name and style and title of the Parish of

Church, in the township of \_\_\_\_\_ county of \_\_\_\_\_, and State of Ohio: and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and of the Diocese of Ohio.

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be called on ten days' notice. Wardens and Vestry being chosen and recorded, together with the minutes of the meeting, in a book to be thereafter kept as a parish register, a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the parish to the Bishop; which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of association, the name of the parish, with those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be taken as soon as possible to have the parish incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergyman of the Diocese, to be admitted into union therewith; for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop should be sent to the Convention, certified by the clerk of the parish.

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### PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

[The following are the items which every parish, through its minister (or parish officers, if there be no minister) is required to furnish the Bishop on or before the first day of each annual Convention: ]

Name of the Parish—Minister—and Wardens.

Number of infant baptisms in the parish during the year—of adult baptisms—of confirmations—marriages—burials.

Number of communicants previously reported—increased during the year, by admission—by transfer: decreased, by death—by removal—by discipline: present number.

Average number of children and teachers in Sunday School—number of times catechised by the Rector.

Amount contributed for the following or any other purposes: Bishop's Salary—Contingent Fund—Foreign Missions—Domestic Missions—Diocesan Missions—Sunday School—Widows' and Orphans' Society.

## THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

## ACT OF INCORPORATION.

Whereas John McCorkle and Charles Hammond, a Committee appointed on behalf of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, have, by their petition to the General Assembly, represented that a Seminary for Theological Education has been established by said Convention within this State, and in order to the more convenient management of the concerns of the said Seminary, and to the permanency of its establishment in this State, have prayed that the said Seminary may be incorporated—Therefore,

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the Right Reverend Philander Chase, now Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, Roger Searle, Intrepid Morse, Ezra B. Kellogg, Samuel Johnston, Bezaleel Wells, William K. Bond, John Johnston, and Charles Hammond, the present Trustees of the said Seminary, and their successors appointed in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of said Seminary, as now established, be, and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, in fact and in name, by the name of the "Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio;" and by that name shall have succession, and be capable in law of suing and being sued, defending and being defended in all courts and places, and in all manner of actions, causes and complaints whatsoever; and may have a common seal, and change the same at their discretion:—and by that name and style shall be capable in law and equity of taking and holding by devise and otherwise, or of purchasing, holding and enjoying to them and their successors, any real estate in fee simple or otherwise, any goods, chattels and personal estate, and of selling, leasing, mortgaging or otherwise disposing of said real and personal estate, or any part thereof, as they may think proper: *Provided*, That the clear annual income of such real and personal estate, exclusive of any lands or tenements that may be occupied by the said Seminary for its accommodation, or that of its officers or professors, shall not exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars.

SEC. 2. That the present Trustees of said Seminary and their successors in office, under the Constitution thereof, as now established, or as the same may be hereafter altered or amended, shall have the care and management of said Seminary and of its estate and property, and shall have power from time to time, to sell or otherwise dispose of its estate and property, and to apply the avails thereof and all other funds of said Seminary for its benefit and advantage, as they shall deem it expedient; and shall also have power, in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of said Seminary, to make by-laws and ordinances for the appointment of professors and other officers of said Seminary, for regulating the duties and conduct of the professors, officers and students therein, for conducting its business and concerns, and generally for the good government of the same: *Provided*, The same be not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the United States, or of this State.

SEC. 3. That this act be, and is hereby declared a public act, and that the same be construed in all courts and other places, benignly and favorably for every beneficial purpose therein intended.

SEC. 4. That the General Assembly may at any time hereafter modify or repeal this act; but no such modification or repeal shall divert the real and personal estate of the Seminary to any other purpose than the education of Ministers of the Gospel in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

M. T. WILLIAMS,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*  
ALLEN TRIMBLE,  
*Speaker of the Senate.*

DECEMBER 29, 1824.

An Act, further supplementary to an act, entitled "An act to Incorporate the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio."

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio shall have power to establish in connection with said Sem-

nary, a College, and Halls for preparatory education; that they shall have the care and management of all property, which has been or may hereafter be given, or is otherwise possessed for the use and benefit of the same; and to appoint a President and Professors, and all necessary officers for the purposes of government and instruction in said College and Halls.

**SEC. 2.** The President and Professors of said Theological Seminary shall constitute a Faculty, with the power of conferring Degrees in the Arts and Sciences, and of performing all such other acts as pertain to the Faculties of Colleges for the encouragement and reward of learning: and the name and style by which the said degrees shall be conferred shall be that of "The President and Professors of Kenyon College in the State of Ohio."

**SEC. 3.** The President and Professors of said Theological Seminary shall also constitute a Faculty with the power of conferring Degrees in Theology, and of doing all such other acts as appertain to such faculties for the encouragement of theological learning; and the name and style by which said degrees shall be conferred shall be that of "The President and Professors of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio."

JAS. J. FARAN,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*  
WILLIAM HAWKINS,  
*Speaker of the Senate.*

MARCH 16, 1839.

#### CONSTITUTION OF THE SEMINARY.

##### ARTICLE I.

The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese of Ohio, do hereby establish a Seminary for the Education of Ministers of the Gospel in said Church; such Seminary to be founded upon donations made and to be made, in the united kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland, and in America, for that purpose, and to be known by the name of "The Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio."

##### ARTICLE II.

The said Seminary shall be established by the Convention of the Diocese, at such place within the same as shall be consistent with the deed of donation, executed by the Bishop of Ohio, in England, on the 27th day of November, 1823 and when once established, shall forever after remain in the same place.

##### ARTICLE III.

The direction and management of said Seminary shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, which shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, and of six clerical and six lay Trustees, to be chosen by the Convention of the Diocese. At the election occurring in the year 1838, one-third of the number shall be designated to hold their office for the term of one year, one-third for the term of two years, and the remaining third for three years; and from and after the year 1838, the vacancies shall be filled each year, as the terms of office expire: Provided, that no officer of the Seminary or of any institution that may be annexed thereto, except the President of Kenyon College, shall be eligible to said Board. This article, so far as it respects the number of clerical and lay Trustees, may from time to time be amended by a concurring resolution of the Convention, and of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, so as to increase the number of clerical and lay Trustees, until the number of each may be twelve; which number shall thereafter constitute the permanent Board of clerical and lay Trustees.

##### ARTICLE IV.

A majority of the whole number of Trustees shall be necessary to constitute a quorum to do business. The Bishop, if present, shall preside. In his absence, a President pro tem. shall be appointed by ballot; whose office shall expire with the final adjournment of the meeting of the Board at which the appointment was made. If any vacancy shall happen in the Board of Trustees, such vacancy shall be filled by the Convention that may meet next thereafter.

##### ARTICLE V.

The Seminary shall be under the immediate charge and superintendence of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, as President of the Institution, and during the recess of the Board the Bishop shall be the Prudential Committee in all secular matters of the institution.

##### ARTICLE VI.

The Board of Trustees shall have power to constitute professorships, and to appoint and remove the professors, and to prescribe the course of study, and to make all rules, and regulations, and statutes which may be necessary for the government of the Seminary, and to secure its prosperity: Provided, that all such rules, regulations, or other proceedings, shall forever be in conformity "to the doctrine, discipline, constitution and canons of the Protestant Episco

pal Church in the United States of America, and to the course of study, prescribed, or to be prescribed, by the Bishops of the said Church."

#### ARTICLE VII.

If at any time the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America shall, by resolution, entered in their Journals, declare any rule, regulation, statute or other proceeding of the Board of Trustees hereby constituted, to be contrary to the doctrine, discipline, constitution, and canons of the Church, or to the course of study prescribed by the Bishops, such rule, regulation, statute, or other proceeding, shall thenceforth cease to have effect, and shall be considered as abrogated and annulled.

#### ARTICLE VIII.

The Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, shall individually, and any two or more of them, be visitants of the Seminary, to take care that the course of discipline and instruction be conformable to the preceding provisions. And it shall be lawful for any one of the Bishops, aforesaid, at any time, to institute in his own name and character of Bishop, any proper legal process to enforce and secure the administration of the Seminary according to the foundation herein prescribed.

#### ARTICLE IX.

The Board of Trustees, as soon as the Convention of the Diocese shall so instruct them, shall annex to the Seminary, a College, with the necessary Preparatory Schools; subject, like the Seminary, to the provisions of the 7th and 8th Articles of the Constitution, which College shall have a separate President and Faculty, the Trustees having power to make all needful by-laws, and to appoint and remove all professors and other officers, necessary to the government and prosperity of said College: Provided, that the President be appointed on the nomination of the Bishop of the Diocese, and that in case he shall not so nominate within two months after being requested so to do by the Board of Trustees, then they shall proceed to elect a President without such nomination; provided also that his Episcopal supervision and authority be understood as embracing the spiritual interests of the College and its Preparatory Schools, and that the present property of the said Seminary, whatever use the Trustees may permit the College to make of any part thereof, shall always remain exclusively the property of the Seminary.

#### ARTICLE X.

The Board of Trustees shall meet at Gambier, annually, on the day preceding the Commencement. The President of the Board shall at any time, upon the application in writing of one member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and two clerical and two lay Trustees, call a meeting of the Board to be held at such other time and place as he may appoint, not exceeding thirty days from the day on which the application shall be presented.

#### ARTICLE XI.

This Constitution may be amended by the concurrent vote of the Bishop, a majority of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, and a majority of the Convention of the Diocese.

Provided, That no alteration or amendment whatever be made in this Constitution, whereby the funds of the Seminary, raised in England, be appropriated to any other use than the education and theological instruction of students for the ministry in the Protestant Episcopal Church. This proviso, however does not preclude the lawfulness and constitutionality of annexing a College to the Seminary; and making provision so far as practicable, for the admission of other students, at their own expense, to the benefit of a College education.

### EPISCOPATE FUND.

**An Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio.**

SEC 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That Benjamin Gardiner, John Mathews, and John C. Wright, and their successors in office, be, and they are hereby created a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, by which name they shall be, and are hereby made capable of receiving, holding and disposing of any estate, real or personal,

which may be in them invested, for the support and maintenance of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church within the Diocese of Ohio, and by which name they may sue and be sued, and in relation to the property in them invested do and perform every act necessary for the receiving, safe keeping, using and disposing of the same to the best advantage : Provided, that the actual value of the property invested as aforesaid, shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, nor the annual income therefrom fifteen hundred dollars.

SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio, shall be elected triennially by the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, and shall continue until their successors are duly appointed ; and this corporation shall at all times be subject to be altered, new-modeled, or repealed, as the General Assembly may deem useful ; Provided, that no alteration, modification or repeal, shall divert the use of said fund from its original destination, which is hereby declared to be making provision for the support of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio.

January 24th, 1821.

### RESOLUTIONS OF A PERMANENT NATURE.

*Resolved*, As the sense of this Convention, that all sports arising from severe, and cruel exercises, imposed upon animals of the brute creation, besides their evil tendency, in a moral point of view, are inconsistent with the humane precepts and doctrines of Christianity ; and ought not to be, in any manner, countenanced by the members of a Christian Church. And, as theatrical amusements, besides that they are frequently coarse, and indelicate, tend rather to excite the feelings, and inflame the imagination, than to enlighten the mind, in matters of vital concern, or to correct the evil passions of the heart ; they cannot, therefore, supply anything proper for Christian improvement, and ought not to be frequented, especially by communicants.—*Passed June, 1821.*

*Whereas*, The practice of mixing in the fashionable amusements of the world, is inconsistent with the principles of Christianity, and has a direct tendency to check the progress of vital religion : Therefore,

*Resolved*, As the sense of this Convention, that it be earnestly recommended to the members of the Church, to abstain from frequenting BALLS, and other places of vain amusement ; and that they likewise use their influence with their families and dependents, to induce them to abandon such practices.—*Passed June, 1825.*

*Resolved*, As the opinion of this Convention, and they strongly recommend it to all the members of their communion throughout the Diocese, not only that daily family prayer should be established in each family, but also that as a means of keeping alive and increasing a spirit of piety in the hearts of our members, measures be taken wheresoever practicable, to assemble themselves together for the purpose of religious worship, at least one evening in every week.—*Passed September, 1831.*

*Resolved*, That whereas the worship of Almighty God in daily prayer, together with the reading of the Scriptures, has always been considered the duty of a Christian ; this Convention do therefore earnestly and affectionately recommend that every family in the Church of which they are the representatives, observe and practice this pious custom.—*Passed September, 1834.*

*Resolved*, That this Convention consider it the duty of every Parish to be represented in this Convention, and that the expenses of the Clergy should be paid by the Parishes respectively.—*Passed November, 1835.*

*Resolved*, 1. That this Convention anew express their hearty recognition of the great principles on which the Missionary organization of our Church is based, viz : that under God the conversion of the world is the legitimate and proper duty of the Church, and that every member of the same is bound by his connexion with it to aid in this holy enterprise to the utmost of his ability.

*Resolved*, 2. That the success with which it has pleased God to crown the labors of the Board of Missions, its Committees and Secretaries, is an abundant cause of thanksgiving on the part of the Church, and offers the highest encouragement to renewed zeal, diligence, effort and prayer in the exalted work of sending the Gospel into all lands.

*Resolved*, 3. That as a body and as individuals we pledge ourselves to sustain, as far as God shall give us the ability, the efforts which the Board of Missions

are making in the discharge of the weighty trust confided to them; and that we most earnestly commend the cause to the efforts and contributions, and above all to the prayers of the Churches in our Diocese.

*Resolved*, 4. That it be recommended to the clergy and laity as a most important matter, to promote the circulation of the publication entitled the "Spirit of Missions," in their respective parishes, since the diffusion of missionary intelligence is absolutely necessary to awaken and cherish the proper feelings of interest in the missionary work.

*Resolved*, 5. That it be recommended to the clergy of the several parishes to adopt as soon as practicable, *systematic measures* for obtaining contributions in aid of the funds of the Domestic and Foreign Mission Society.—*Passed Sept., 1836.*

*Resolved*, 1. That the common excuses, such as want of time, the article of expense, the anxiety to reach home, &c., which are usually urged to justify Sunday traveling, are almost always invalid, and such as most men would blush to urge in justification of violating any other command of the moral law.

*Resolved*, 2. That the Clergy and Laity of this Church use their special efforts to promote, the former by preaching, and both, by example and influence and conversation, the more conscientious observance of the 41st Canon of the General Convention, which reads thus: "All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, in hearing the Word of God read and taught, in private and public prayer, in other exercises of devotion, and in acts of charity, using all godly and sober conversation."

*Resolved*, 3. That it be recommended to the clergy to bring the subject before the minds of the people on the twentieth Sunday after Trinity.—*Passed September, 1836.*

*Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to report quarterly through the diocesan paper, the amount of money received by him for the Episcopate fund, and from whence received.—*Passed Sept. 1811.*

*Resolved*, That the expenses of the Treasurer in going to and from the Convention, be paid out of the Treasury of the Diocese.—*Passed Sept. 1841.*

*Resolved*, That it be recommended to the several members of the Church in this Diocese to adopt the plan of systematic charity recommended by St. Paul, to lay by in store on the first day of the week, as God hath prospered them, for this, and other benevolent objects.—*Passed September, 1842.*

*Resolved*, That it be recommended to the Clergy and Parishes of this Diocese, that united prayer be offered at stated monthly meetings for the extension and success of missions.—*Passed September, 1842.*

*Resolved*, 1. That a sermon on the claims of the Holy Ministry upon young men be preached annually before this Convention, at such time and by such clergyman as the Bishop shall appoint.

*Resolved*, 2. That the Clergy of this Diocese be recommended to bring before their congregations at least once a year the claims of the ministry upon young men, and at the same time pressing upon the people the claims of those young men for support while pursuing their studies preparatory to the work of the ministry.—*Passed September, 1842.*

*Resolved*, That in the opinion of this Convention, the duty of the catechetical instruction of the baptized children of the Church is one which ought to receive the diligent attention of every parochial clergyman in the Diocese.—*Passed September, 1842.*

*Resolved*, That, in the judgment of this Convention, it is the solemn duty of every true and consistent Protestant Episcopal Churchman, to oppose, in every appropriate position, and by all proper means, all the essential and distinguishing features of that system of error which is known by the name "Tractarianism."—*Passed September, 1847.*

*Resolved*, 1. That it be earnestly recommended to every parish in the Diocese, where it has not already been done, to adopt some plan of regular, stated, systematic contribution for missionary objects.

*Resolved*, 2. That it be also earnestly recommended to the clergy and parishes of the Diocese, to make a remittance to the Missionary and Education Committee, at least once a quarter, say on the first of the months of January, April, July and October.

*Resolved*, 3. That it be also earnestly recommended to the clergy and parishes of the Diocese, to forward all moneys collected for domestic missions to the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, with the understanding that if there should be more than enough to supply the wants of the Diocese, the surplus shall be forwarded by the committee to the Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic committee in New York.

*Resolved*, 4. That it be recommended to individuals and parishes, as far as practicable, to assume the support of beneficiaries preparatory to the work of the Holy Ministry.—*Passed September, 1847.*

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Diocese be instructed to pay the Secretary of its Convention fifty dollars annually, as a remuneration for the discharge of the duties of his office.—*Passed September, 1847, but never acted upon.*

*Resolved*, That this Convention do recommend the "Western Episcopalian" to the patronage of the Diocese; and the several members, both clerical and lay, are requested to use their exertions to increase its circulation.—*Passed Oct. 1849.*

*Resolved*, That hereafter the Clerical Reports, in addition to the other statistics, give the names of the Wardens of each Parish for the time being.—*Passed September, 1850.*

Whereas, it seems to this Convention both just and expedient that it should do all it can for the permanent and efficient promotion and well-being of the only Educational Institution of the Diocese—Kenyon College; Therefore,

*Resolved*, 1. That we deeply feel, and sincerely deplore the spirit of apathy that has evidently rested upon the minds of too many to whom the Institution has a right to look for warm approval and vigorous aid.

*Resolved*, 2. That under its present regimen, we believe that our educational wants, as a denomination, can be fully met, and our just wishes consummated.

*Resolved*, 3. That the Clergy of this Diocese do renewedly pledge themselves to each other, and to the authorities of Kenyon College, that, under the blessing of Heaven, and with the counsel of their respected Diocesan, they will make all laudable exertions for the accomplishment of the end herein proposed.

*Resolved*, 4. That the hearty coöperation of every layman, especially those whose ample pecuniary means and advantageous position in society evidently give them peculiar ability, is respectfully solicited.—*Passed September, 1851.*

*Resolved*, 1. That it is the duty of each baptized person in the Church to contribute towards the support and extension of Diocesan Missions and Education.

*Resolved*, 2. That the Rectors and Ministers of the Parishes of this Diocese be affectionately and earnestly requested, within a reasonable time after adjournment, in person or by others, to call upon all the members of their congregations to contribute statedly, according to their ability, to this object.

*Resolved*, 3. That it be recommended to the Rectors of Parishes to introduce the plan of weekly contributions to Diocesan Missions, according to the Scriptural requirement.—*Passed September, 1851.*

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be and he is hereby directed not to bring forward the arrearages due the Bishop, in his current account, from year to year, but to state the amount of arrearages, and when such arrearages accrued, and add the interest theron.—*Passed September, 1851.*

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TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE  
*Society for Relief of Widows & Orphans of Deceased Clergymen*  
OF THE  
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN OHIO.

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ST. JAMES' CHURCH, PIQUA, JUNE 5TH, 1857.

The Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen met, the President in the Chair.

The printed minutes of the last meeting were read, followed by the reports of the Secretary and the Treasurer.

On motion, the committee appointed last year, consisting of the Rev. Thos. M. Smith, D.D., Dr. J. W. Russell, and Dr. J. N. Burr, was continued, and the Treasurer's Report referred to the same. Pending a discussion on the report of the examining committee, in relation to payments on Premium Notes from parochial collections, the society adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock on the following morning.

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JUNE 6TH, 8 O'CLOCK, A. M.

The society met, and the minutes of the last meeting were read.

The Rev. N. H. Schenck proposed the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Society for the Relief of Widows and Orphans be authorized to endorse the premium notes of the members of the Society with such amounts as may be raised by them for the objects of the Society, until the amount of such notes be reached, said indorsements not to be regarded as cancelling the same until the decease of the drawer.

After some discussion on this resolution, the Society adjourned to meet at half past 1 o'clock, p. m.

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JUNE 6TH, HALF PAST 1 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Society assembled according to adjournment. The Rev. Dr. Brooke was called to the chair.

The Rev. Mr. Badger offered the following as an amendment to Rev. Mr. Schenck's resolution:

*Resolved*, That the second article of the Fundamental Laws be amended by the addition of the following words:—"But the Treasurer of the Society is authorized to endorse the premium notes of the members of the Society until

the amount of such notes be reached, when the note shall be cancelled, and the money thus paid on the premium notes shall be kept as a part of said reserved fund, the interest only to be used for current expenses."

On motion, both resolution and amendment were laid over for consideration at the next anniversary.

The Rev. James McElroy offered the following, as an additional Article to the Fundamental Laws, viz:

That no alteration of the Fundamental Laws of the Society shall be made, unless notice of the proposed alteration shall have been made at a previous annual meeting of the society.

Which was laid over for the next meeting.

The election for officers for the ensuing year was called for, and balloting dispensed with; the Rev. J. Rice Taylor was re-elected Secretary, and George Browning, Esq., Treasurer.

On motion, one hundred copies of the proceedings of the Twelfth Annual Meeting were ordered to be printed in addition to those appended to the Journal of the Diocesan Convention.

After which the Society adjourned.

J. RICE TAYLOR, *Secretary.*

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#### REPORT OF THE SECRETARY AT THE TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The Widow's and Orphan's Society during the year past has been blessed with a good degree of prosperity. While two names have been added to the list of members, we have reason for thankfulness to the Author and Giver of all good, that none have been taken away by death.

By referring to the Report of the Treasurer, it will be seen that there was in his keeping at the last Annual Meeting the sum of \$6828 48, bearing interest at a greater or less per centum, and the sum of \$2033 21 in Premium Notes not bearing interest, making a total of \$8861 69.

Within the past year \$60 18 of the Premium Notes have been paid, leaving \$1973 03. Two Premium Notes of \$50 each, have been added, making the present amount of such notes \$2073 03.

The cash receipts from all sources during the year just closed are \$919 84. Two annuities one of \$50, and another of \$75 have been paid, together with \$8 96, current expenses. The sum of \$600 has been loaned at an annual interest of 10 per cent. amply secured by mortgage on real estate. There remains temporarily loaned and in safe hands \$524, at the rate of 8 per cent., and \$165 36 on deposit in bank at 6 per cent. interest.

The productive property of the Corporation is now \$7614 36, which, with the Premium Notes on hand—\$2073 03—makes the total sum of \$9687 39, showing a net increase since the last annual meeting of \$825 70, being an excess of \$163 85 over the net receipts of the former year.

The report of the former Secretary shows that in course of the year ending June 1st, 1856, \$280 91 were contributed to the funds of the Society from sixteen parishes. During the past twelve-month, twenty parishes have contributed an aggregate of \$262 53, being less by the sum of \$28 38 than was received from parochial collections the year previous. But this can be a matter of little or no surprise when we have in view the fact that the past year has been one of unusual closeness in monetary affairs. Taking every thing into consideration it may be said that the society was never in a more prosperous condition than now, and never have its finances given more encouraging promise of usefulness for the future. The income for the present year may safely be estimated at a sum not less than one thousand dollars.

J. RICE TAYLOR, *Secretary.*

## MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY.

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | 1845. | 1849.                                                                                                                       |
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| Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D.D.,<br>D.C.L.,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |       | Rev. Lewis Burton,<br>" R. S. Nash,                                                                                         |
| Rev. Alex. F. Dobb,*<br>" E. H. Canfield, D.D.,                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |       | " K. J. Stewart,†<br>" David W. Talford,                                                                                    |
| " Thos. B. Fairchild,<br>" Wm. A. Smallwood, D.D.,                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |       | " Lloyd Windsor.                                                                                                            |
| " Alanson Phelps,<br>" Erastus Burr, D.D.,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |       | 1850.                                                                                                                       |
| " Richard S. Killin,*†<br>" James B. Britton,                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |       | " Anson Clark,<br>" Ed. H. Cumming,<br>" Charles Dresser,†<br>" G. W. DuBois,<br>" G. D. Gillespie,                         |
| " Chauncey Colton, D.D.,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |       | " S. Y. McMasters, L.L.D.,<br>" Intrepid Morse,<br>" F. B. Nash,<br>" W. R. Nicholson,<br>" H. B. Walbridge.                |
| " Alvah Guion,<br>" L. L. Holden,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |       | 1851.                                                                                                                       |
| " Joseph Muenscher, D.D.,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |       | " H. N. Bishop,<br>" Henry Blackaller,<br>" T. Jarvis Carter,*<br>" Erastus A. Strong,<br>" John Swan,<br>" Geo. Thompson.* |
| " Henry Payne,<br>" Charles B. Stout,<br>" Abraham Wheeler,<br>" Edward Winthrop.                                                                                                                                                                                           | 1846. | " 1852.                                                                                                                     |
| " S. A. Bronson, D.D.,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |       | " Lawson Carter,<br>" John W. Clark,<br>" M. R. Jukes,*<br>" James McElroy,<br>" Dudley A. Tyng.                            |
| " J. T. Brooke, D.D.,                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |       | 1853.                                                                                                                       |
| " Alfred Blake,<br>" Norman Badger,<br>" J. L. Bryan,<br>" G. S. Davis,<br>" George Denison,<br>" L. N. Freeman,<br>" W. C. French,<br>" Richard Gray,<br>" Humphrey Hollis,<br>" Edw. Lounsbury,<br>" A. T. McMurphy,<br>" Henry L. Richards,†<br>" Thomas M. Smith, D.D., |       | " A. D. Benedict,<br>" C. S. Doolittle,<br>" J. E. Ryan,<br>" Wm. Sparrow, D.D.                                             |
| " George B. Sturges,<br>" C. C. Townsend,†<br>" M. T. C. Wing, D.D.                                                                                                                                                                                                         |       | 1854.                                                                                                                       |
| " E. Boyden,<br>" Abraham Bronson,*<br>" Chauncey W. Fitch,<br>" Richard K. Mead,<br>" G. B. Perry, D.D., L.L.D.,<br>" J. Rice Taylor.                                                                                                                                      | 1847. | " E. C. Benson,<br>" John G. Downing,<br>" Peter Neff, Jr.,<br>" Daniel Risser,<br>" Wm. B. Rally,<br>" Edward W. Syle.     |
| " W. W. Arnett,<br>" R. Bethell Claxton, D.D.,<br>" Thomas B. Dooley,<br>" John Ufford.                                                                                                                                                                                     |       | 1856.                                                                                                                       |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |       | " W. H. Cooper,<br>" Edward Meyer,<br>" Noah Hunt Schenck.                                                                  |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |       | 1857.                                                                                                                       |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |       | " Peter H. Jeffries,<br>" Charles W. Farns.<br>† Withdrawn.                                                                 |

\* Deceased.

**PRESIDENT,**  
**Rt. Rev. C. P. McILVAINE, D.D., Cincinnati.**

**TREASURER,**  
**GEORGE BROWNING, Esq., Mt. Vernon.**

**SECRETARY,**  
**REV. J. RICE TAYLOR, Mt. Vernon.**

## TREASURER'S

GEORGE BROWNING, Treasurer, in Account with

| 1856.    | Dr.                                                                                                                | NOTES, &c  | CASH.      |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| June 1.  | To balance in favor of the Society, as per last Annual Report                                                      |            |            |
| " 6.     | of this date.....                                                                                                  | \$8,368 21 | \$508 43   |
| " "      | Edward Meyer, premium note.....                                                                                    | 50 00      |            |
| " "      | N. H. Schenck, " "                                                                                                 | 50 00      |            |
|          | W. B. Rally, 3d ass't, \$00; L. L. Holden, 12th ass't, \$00;                                                       | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | C. W. Fitch, 11th ass't, 8; A. Clark, 7th ass't, 8                                                                 | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | S. A. Bronson, 12th ass't, 8; E. Winthrop, 11th & 12th 6;                                                          | .....      | 9 00       |
|          | A. Blake, 10th ass't, 8; E. Burr, 12th ass't, 8                                                                    | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | M. T. C. Wing, 12th ass't, 8; D. Rimer, 3d ass't, 8                                                                | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | E. H. Cummings, 7th ass't, 8; E. C. Benson, 3d ass't, 8;                                                           | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | T. B. Fairchild, 10th ass't, 8; E. Meyer, 1st ass't, 8                                                             | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | C. P. McIlvaine, 12th ass't, 8; E. A. Strong, 6th ass't, 8                                                         | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | W. E. Nicholson, 7th ass't, 8; H. Blackaller, 7th ass't, 8                                                         | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | J. T. Brooke, 10th ass't, 8; J. L. Bryan, 11th ass't, 8                                                            | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | G. S. Davis, 9th ass't, 8; T. M. Smith, 11th ass't, 8                                                              | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | H. B. Walbridge, 6th & 7th ass'ts and penalty,                                                                     | .....      | 6 18       |
|          | J. E. Ryan, 4th ass't, 8; N. H. Schenck, 1st ass't, 8                                                              | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | E. Lounsbury, 11th ass't and donation,                                                                             | .....      | 5 00       |
|          | L. Carter, 5th ass't, 8; W. A. Smallwood, 12th ass't, 8                                                            | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | Coll. St. James', Painesville, (including 12th ass't A. Phelps)                                                    | .....      | 18 00      |
|          | " St. John's, Cleveland, (including 7th ass't L. Burton.)                                                          | .....      | 12 68      |
|          | " St. James', Boardman, (incl. 4th ass't C. S. Doolittle.)                                                         | .....      | 3 00       |
|          | " St. Peter's, Delaware, (incl. 5th ass't Jas. McElroy.)                                                           | .....      | 5 00       |
|          | " Christ, Ironton, (including 11th ass't W. C. French.)                                                            | .....      | 5 00       |
|          | " Zion, Dresden, (including 11th ass't A. T. McMurphy.)                                                            | .....      | 8 00       |
|          | " St. Matthew's, Madison, (per A. T. McMurphy.)                                                                    | .....      | 2 00       |
|          | " St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, (per L. L. Holden.)                                                                  | .....      | 10 00      |
|          | " St. Paul's, Cleveland, (per R. B. Claxton.)                                                                      | .....      | 18 00      |
|          | " Grace Church, Sandusky, (per S. A. Bronson.)                                                                     | .....      | 8 50       |
|          | " All Saints', Portsmouth, (per E. Burr.)                                                                          | .....      | 10 00      |
|          | " Trinity Church, Toledo, (per H. B. Walbridge.)                                                                   | .....      | 18 00      |
| July.    | Avails coupon Milwaukee & Miss. 10 per cent. R. R. Bond,                                                           | .....      | 50 50      |
| "        | Geo. Denison, 11th ass't, 8; A. Wheeler, 12th ass't, 8                                                             | .....      | 6 00       |
| Septem.  | H. Hollis, 11th ass't, 8; R. B. Claxton, 9th ass't, 8                                                              | .....      | 6 00       |
| October. | Collection, St. Paul's Church, Akron, (per E. Meyer.)                                                              | .....      | 5 50       |
| " 23     | " Convention at Gambier, June 6, (received this day per N. H. Schenck) \$2 less than estimated.                    | .....      | 50 00      |
| Novem.   | F. B. Nash, 7th ass't, 8; W. W. Arnett, 9th ass't, 8                                                               | .....      | 6 00       |
| Decem.   | C. B. Stout, 12th ass't, 8; J. B. Britton, 11th ass't, 8                                                           | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | J. B. Britton, 12th assessment, penalty and donation.                                                              | .....      | 4 00       |
| 1857.    | Avails of coupons Knox county 6 per cent. Bonds.....                                                               | .....      | 125 00     |
| January. | " Mill. & Miss. 10 per cent. R. R. Bonds                                                                           | .....      | 50 25      |
| Febr'y   | Collection, St. Paul's Ch., Norwalk, (per G. Watson, D.D.)                                                         | .....      | 8 00       |
|          | A. D. Benedict, 4th ass't, 8; R. K. Mead, 10th ass't, 8                                                            | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | John Swan, 6th ass't and penalty, 8; A. Clark, 8th ass't, 8                                                        | .....      | 6 18       |
| March 1  | Note secured by mortgage on real estate, loan at 10 per cent.                                                      | 600 00     |            |
|          | Contrib. St. Jude's Ch., Philadelphia, paid 3rd, 4th & 5th ass'ts and pen. E. W. Syle, 9.86; do to funds soc. 7.64 | .....      | 17 00      |
|          | E. Lounsbury, 12th ass't, 8                                                                                        | .....      | 3 00       |
|          | Avails of coupons Knox county 7 per cent. Bonds.....                                                               | .....      | 126 00     |
| April.   | G. D. Gillespie, 8th ass't, 8; T. M. Smith, 12th ass't, 8                                                          | .....      | 6 00       |
|          | John Ufford, 7th, 8th and 9th ass'ts and penalty.                                                                  | .....      | 10 98      |
|          | Contrib. Trinity Ch., Newark, (per H. Blackaller.)                                                                 | .....      | 7 00       |
|          | H. Blackaller, 7th assessment.                                                                                     | .....      | 3 00       |
| May.     | Contrib. Christ Ch., Cincinnati, (per Rev. Dr. Butler.)                                                            | .....      | 26 00      |
|          | Jos. Muenscher, 12th ass'ts and penalty                                                                            | .....      | 3 24       |
|          | W. Sparrow, 8d and 4th ass'ts and pen. (per M. H. Mitchell)                                                        | .....      | 7 04       |
|          | E. Boyden, 9th and 10th ass'ts and penalty                                                                         | .....      | 6 50       |
|          | J. Rice Taylor, 2.88; contrib. St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, 3.97; paid 9th & 10th ass'ts and penalty                    | .....      | 6 85       |
|          | J. Rice Taylor, off prem. note (contrib. per Hon. C. Delano)                                                       | .....      | 20 00      |
|          | Contrib. St. Paul's, Steubenville, per I. Morse, (73 cts. applied to balance his 8th assessment).                  | .....      | 5 00       |
| June 1.  | Contrib. St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, (per L. L. Holden.)                                                           | .....      | 10 00      |
|          | Annual Interest rec'd from Real Estate Loan to this date.                                                          | .....      | 80 00      |
|          | Interest rec'd from temporary loans to this date.....                                                              | .....      | 43 49      |
|          |                                                                                                                    | \$9,068 21 | \$1,423 82 |

## REPORT.

*the Clergy Widows' and Orphans' Society.*

| 1856.    | CR.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | NOTES, &c                                                              | CASH.                 |
|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| June.    | By cash paid Rev. Dr. Muench's sundry postages.....<br>Stationery, printing, stamps and envelopes, (Treasurer),.....<br>W. C. French, off premium note.....<br>Humphrey Hollis, " " .....<br>Lewis Burton, " " .....<br>A. Phelps, balance in full, premium note surrendered.....<br>R. B. Claxton, " " " " .....<br>N. Badger, off premium note, (omitted June 16, 1855). .... | .....<br>.....<br>2 00<br>1 71<br>9 68<br>8 29<br>18 00<br>50<br>..... | 49<br>1 85            |
| July.    | Paid for pens, holders, paper, ink and postage, (Treasurer).....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | .....                                                                  | 68                    |
| August.  | Paid annuity, children M. R. Jukes, per letter J. R. Taylor,.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | .....                                                                  | 50 00                 |
| October. | Paid " Alex. F. Dobb, per T. Dobb, guardian,.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | .....                                                                  | 75 00                 |
| Mar. '57 | Paid loan at 10 per cent. per an. per note secured real estate,.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | .....                                                                  | 600 00                |
| May 30.  | Paid Secretary's acc't, printing, stationery, postage to date,.....<br>Paid for stamps, envelopes, postage, &c., (Treasurer) to date,.....<br>J. R. Taylor, off prem. note, (contribution Hon. C. Delano,).....                                                                                                                                                                 | .....<br>.....<br>20 00                                                | 2 88<br>3 61<br>60 18 |
|          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                        | <u>\$738 96</u>       |
| 1857.    | To balance favor Widows' & Orphans' Society to new acc't                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | \$3,998 08                                                             |                       |
| June 1.  | <i>Assets in Treasury to balance—not on interest:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                        | <u>\$3,998 08</u>     |
|          | By premium notes and balances.....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | \$2,078 08                                                             |                       |
|          | <i>At annual Interest:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                        |                       |
|          | Knox county 6 per cent. bonds.....<br>Knox county 7 per cent. bonds.....<br>Mechanics' Bank, New York, 8 per cent. stock..<br>Bond and mortgage real estate loan at 8 per cent 1,000 00<br>Milwaukee & Miss. Railroad bond at 10 per cent 1,000 00<br>Bond and mortgage real estate loan at 10 per cent 600 00                                                                  | \$2,260 00<br>1,800 00<br>275 00<br>1,000 00<br>1,000 00<br>600 00     |                       |
|          | <i>Temporarily at interest:</i>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                        |                       |
|          | Loans on call at 8 per cent.....<br>Cash recently received on deposit at 6 per cent....                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | 6,825 00<br>165 36                                                     | 689 36                |
|          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                        | <u>\$3,998 08</u>     |

It will be seen that, for the sake of convenience in deduction, the foregoing report is made, in mode, a transposition of those heretofore rendered; the Treasurer, instead of the Society, being charged with all the securities and monies received, and credited with the deductions from premium notes and all disbursements.

## RECAPITULATION.

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Cash in Treasury (June 1, 1856), per preceding Report.....                                                  | <u>503 48</u>     |
| Receipts for past year to June 1, 1857:                                                                     |                   |
| From collections, annual dues and premium notes.....                                                        | 9434 00           |
| From investments and moneys then on hand.....                                                               | 486 24            |
|                                                                                                             | <u>919 34</u>     |
|                                                                                                             | <u>\$1,423 33</u> |
| Estimated income of past year, ending June 1, 1857:                                                         |                   |
| From investments and moneys then on hand.....                                                               | 500 00            |
| Estimate for coming year:                                                                                   |                   |
| From present investments and moneys on hand.....                                                            | 575 00            |
| DISBURSEMENTS.                                                                                              |                   |
| Loan on real estate security at 10 per cent.....                                                            | 900 00            |
| Paid annuities.....                                                                                         | 126 00            |
| Paid current expenses.....                                                                                  | 8 96              |
| Cash subject to call, running at 8 per cent.....                                                            | 524 00            |
| Cash deposited subject to call, running at 6 per cent.....                                                  | 165 36            |
|                                                                                                             | 689 36            |
|                                                                                                             | <u>\$1,423 33</u> |
| Realized from those sources.....                                                                            | 9435 24           |
| To which may be added dividends from Mechanics' Bank stock for past year, due,<br>but not yet received..... | 22 00             |
| Which would make the sum of.....                                                                            | <u>9507 24</u>    |

GEORGE BROWNING, *Treasurer.*

Mount Vernon, Ohio, June 1, 1857.

The committee to whom was referred the account of the Treasurer of the Widows' and Orphans' Society have examined the same and find it to be correct.

By order of the committee, THOMAS M. SMITH, Chairman.

The following sums were received by the Secretary at the Convention after this Report was closed, viz:

*From Parochial Collections.*—Zion Church, Dresden, \$6; St. Matthew's, Madison, \$5; Christ Church, Ironton, \$3.75; St. James', Cross Creek, \$4.61; St. Mark's, Newton Falls, \$3.41; St. Luke's, Milan, \$10; St. James', Painesville, \$10; St. John's, Worthington, \$10.75; St. Peter's, Delaware, \$16; St. John's, Cleveland, \$9; St. James', Piqua, \$30; Rev. Dr. Burr, donation, \$10; Convention collection, \$30.15.

*From Members.*—H. Payne, part of 10th, 11th and 12th assessments and penalty, \$5.87; W. B. Rally, 4th annual assessment, \$3; Rev. Peter H. Jeffries, \$3; Rev. A. T. McMurphy, \$3, \*col.; Rev. G. S. Davis, \$7.57; Rev. W. C. French, \$17.59, col.; Rev. C. W. Farns, \$3; Rev. A. Phelps, \$3, col.; Rev. G. B. Sturges, \$6.84; Rev. L. L. Holden, \$3; Rev. C. S. Doolittell, \$3; Rev. J. Hochuly, \$3; Rev. H. H. Morrell, \$3; Rev. J. P. Curran, \$3, col.; Rev. Moses Hamilton, \$3; Rev. L. Carter, \$3; Rev. E. Burr, D.D., \$3; Rev. N. Badger, \$3; Rev. A. Blake, \$3; Rev. W. H. Cooper, \$3; Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, \$3; Rev. H. F. Roberts, \$3, col.; Rev. H. B. Walbridge, \$3; Rev. J. McElroy, \$3, col.; Rev. G. W. DuBois, \$10.12; Rev. M. T. C. Wing, D.D., \$3; Rev. E. A. Strong, \$3; Rev. N. H. Schenck, \$3; Rev. J. A. Bolles, D.D., \$3; Rev. W. H. Roberts, \$3, col.; Rev. C. W. Fitch, \$3, col.; Rev. R. Gray, \$3, col.; Rev. C. Reynolds, \$3.37; Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., \$3.53; Rev. S. A. Bronson, D.D., \$3; Rev. W. R. Nicholson, \$3.

\*“Col.” indicates the payment to have been made out of collections made above.

## FUNDAMENTAL LAWS OF THE SOCIETY.

1. Any Clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States may be a member of this Corporation and entitled to all its privileges, provided he deposits with the Treasurer a premium note for \$50, not bearing interest, and pays annually the sum of \$3 to the society. The first annual payment is to be made at the time of giving the premium note.

2. The premium notes shall constitute a reserved fund, subject to requisition from time to time, to supply any deficiencies which may arise in the available means of the Society, for the payment of annuities.

3. A failure to make the annual payments when they become due, or to answer a call for an assessment on the premium notes, shall subject the delinquent to a penalty of 12½ per cent. per annum on the amount due and unpaid: and at the expiration of three years, should such delinquency continue, his beneficial interest in the institution shall be forfeited.

4. The beneficial interest of a member shall not commence until the expiration of one year from the date of his premium note; and not until he has made two annual payments.

5. If a contributor die before having made five annual payments, his widow and children shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of his premium note, (\$50.) If he should die after having made five annual payments and less than ten, they shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of the premium note and one-half that amount, (\$75.) If he have made ten annual payments or upwards, they shall receive an annuity equal to twice the amount of the premium note, (\$100.)

6. At the death of a contributor, the balance which may be due on his premium note, together with any other claims which the Corporation may hold against him, shall be assigned to the annuitants in part payment of the first annuity.

7. No annuity shall be considered as having become due to the family of any contributor until one year from the time of his death.

8. Annuities shall be paid widows during life, unless they marry again: in which case their annuities shall cease and fall to their children entirely: and children, if males, shall enjoy annuities until they be twenty-one years old; if

females, until they are twenty-five years old, unless they previously marry, upon which their annuities shall cease.

9. If there be a child and no widow, such child shall be entitled to the whole annuity, during the time he or she continues to be an annuitant; but if there be more than one child and no widow, the annuity shall be equally divided among them till they severally marry or exceed the age of annuitants, which annuity shall be laid out in their education or apprenticeship, with the advice of such guardians or executors as the father may have nominated; and if none such shall have been nominated by the father, then in such manner for the benefit of the child or children as the Corporation shall direct.

10. If there be a widow and one child, the annuity shall be equally divided between them; but if the widow marry or die before the child shall have attained, if a male, twenty-one years, or if a female, twenty-five, the whole of the annuity shall belong to such child during the period to which he or she may be entitled thereto. And if the child die before the mother, or when the child comes to the age herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the mother, she having remained a widow, and shall be enjoyed by her during the period of her natural life, if she remain a widow: but if she should marry again, nothing shall be paid her after the period of her marriage. If there be a widow and two or more children, the widow shall have one-third during her widowhood or natural life, and the remainder shall be equally divided among her children: and if a child should die, or when such child may arrive at the age of twenty-one years if a male, or twenty-five if a female, his or her share shall be enjoyed by the remaining children, till the male or males arrive at the age of twenty-one, and the female or females at the age of twenty-five; provided always, that when death shall have reduced the number of children to one, or the arrival of the children to the age herein prescribed shall have reduced the children entitled to annuities to the number of one, the annuity shall be equally divided between such child and the widow, during the period of her natural life, or of her remaining a widow; and that if death should remove all the children, or when they have arrived at the ages herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the widow if she be alive and remain a widow; and be enjoyed by her during the period of her widowhood. But it shall be always lawful for a member of the Corporation to make such disposition by his will, of the rights to which his subscription may have entitled his family, as he may see fit.

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#### RULES FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OF THE CORPORATION.

1. The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be holden during the session of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, at which time shall be chosen a President, Treasurer and Secretary, who shall remain in office until their successors are appointed. The Bishop of the Diocese, if he be a member, shall be President ex-officio.

2. On urgent occasions the President shall notify the Secretary to call special meetings of the Corporation.

3. The Treasurer shall manage the funds, pay the annuities, &c. He shall give bonds in such sum as the Corporation from time to time shall judge necessary for the security of the funds, and report at the annual meeting.

4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Corporation, attend to the management of all its business operations, and make a full report of its condition at each annual meeting. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Corporation may from time to time direct.

5. During each Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Ohio, a collection shall be taken up in aid of the funds of the Corporation.



